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REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES AND CONVENTION.

Excellent Ticket Nominated Saturday, Ratified on Tuesday.

UNUSUALLY LARGE VOTE WAS OUT

Hon. Myron Matson Chosen County Chairman for Ensuing Year—Resolutions are Adopted—Perfect Harmony was Prevalent.

Saturday was an ideal day for people to get out and therefore an unusually large vote was polled at the Republican primaries held on that date in the 46 districts of this county and the following excellent ticket was nominated for the different county offices to be selected next November, and as delegates to the State convention:

For sheriff, George W. Mitchell of Smethport.

For prothonotary, Samuel E. Bell of Smethport.

For district attorney, Guy B. Mayo of Smethport.

For county commissioners, George Griffiths of Kane and J. A. Peterson of Bradford.

For clerk of courts, W. H. Morrison of Smethport.

For register of wills, etc., John B. Eastman of Smethport.

For recorder of deeds, H. M. Choate of Smethport.

For county auditors, Oscar Engstrom of Smethport and C. W. Freeman of Kushequa.

Delegates to the Republican State convention, Walter S. Calderwood of Kane, R. M. Swisher of Mt. Jewett and Thomas B. Wilson of Bradford.

As will be seen by referring to the tabulated vote which appears on this page the only close contest was between Guy B. Mayo of Smethport and H. S. Rogers of Mt. Jewett, the two candidates for district attorney. In Bradford city both Burt McAllister and J. L. Johnson received more votes than their successful opponents, but their majorities were not large enough to overcome the vote elsewhere.

The Republican county convention which was held at the court house Tuesday afternoon was largely attended by county committeemen, candidates and spectators, every district but two being represented by committeemen, and the gathering was a most harmonious one.

Chairman George Paton called the assemblage to order and gave a brief resume of the recent political campaigns which included the Presidential election and the primaries, and spoke enthusiastically of the admirable showing made by the rank and file of the party. J. Lester Ward of Port Allegany was chosen as temporary chairman of the convention by an unanimous vote and A. D. Gould of Eldred and A. W. Risden of Kane were appointed as clerks.

The following committees were then appointed by the chairman:

Credentials—H. M. Cosgrove of Bradford, C. R. Paulson of Mt. Jewett, C. H. Shannon of Simpson and W. F. Sprague of Duke Centre. Resolutions—George Paton of Bradford, J. J. McCarey of Turtle Point, John Bartley of Mt. Alton, A. J. Frederickson of Ludlow and M. J. Gallup of Mt. Jewett.

After the roll call and while the clerks were tabulating the official returns from the various precincts, the resolutions committee formulated suitable resolutions to be presented to the convention. In the meantime Chairman Ward called upon the candidates, both the successful and the unsuccessful, for remarks, responses being made by George W. Mitchell, Samuel E. Bell, Guy B. Mayo, George Griffiths, J. A. Peterson, Burt McAllister and J. L. Johnson. In an earnest speech Mr. McAllister thanked his friends for the support rendered him in the primaries and assured the assemblage that he would support the ticket in its entirety. "I am a Republican," said Mr. McAllister "and not a bolter. My fight ended at the primaries and from now on I will bend my energies to assist in the election of the ticket selected by the voters on Saturday."

J. L. Johnson in a similar manner pledged his support to the ticket, and asserted that he bore no ill feeling toward any person as a result of the campaign. Both speakers were tendered most enthusiastic applause for the straightforward stand they took.

In addition to these speakers, remarks were also made by N. M. Orr of Kane, S. W. Smith of Port Allegany, C. M. Slack of Eldred, E. R. Mayo of Smethport, H. E. Allen and former Senator Bannon of Bradford.

Retiring Chairman Paton, in a brief speech, thanked the members of the county committee for their assistance rendered during his tenure of office and placed in nomination his successor, Hon. Myron Matson. The nomination was seconded by Mr. Slack and Mr. Berwald amid applause, and a motion to close the nominations was passed unanimously. Upon a subsequent motion by Mr. Paton, the secretary was instructed to cast the ballot for Senator Matson, and he was declared elected chairman of the McKean County Republican committee for a period of one year.

Each mention of President Roosevelt's name in the resolutions brought forth most hearty applause, but when the name of Governor Pennypacker was mentioned not a sound of applause was made to break in on the reader. The complimentary references to the ability of the retiring chairman, Mr. Paton, was forcibly seconded by the delegates who applauded him in a most enthusiastic manner. The resolutions adopted are as follows:

Resolved that the following declarations be adopted by this convention:

1. The McKean county representatives of the Republican party are assembled this day under conditions the most inspiring. We are here with our party's banner flying; with the cheers and music of the 1904 victory ringing in our ears. So perfectly constructed were our last Republican State and National platforms, and so completely matched thereto were our Republican candidates, that Republicans without a single dissension, so far as known, voted their approval, while thousands and tens of thousands of electors, not formerly identified with our party, endorsed our candidates and adopted our party principles in the conviction that such a course was wise and patriotic, and would keep the Grand Old Ship of State in the path of safety. It, therefore, is with more than ordinary pride that we re-declare our allegiance to our party's policies, and shout approval of our party's triumph. With genuine complacency we note the stable, even tenor of business in all its various forms. Manufactures are in steady operation; furnaces are in full blast; labor is generally employed, and everywhere our citizens are given renewed heart and hope because of the announced determination of President Roosevelt to give every man a square deal and to enforce the beneficient principles embodied in our Republican National platform.

2. For the great and patriotic work already accomplished by our peerless President, we commend him with unstinted praise. Under his safe and conservative administration our country is hastening to its God-given destiny as arbiter of national righteousness and the conservator of peace throughout the world.

3. As Pennsylvanians, we heartily endorse the administration of Governor Samuel W. Pennypacker. We appreciate his statesmanship and repose in him the most implicit confidence in his ability to safeguard the Commonwealth's interests. The various departments of the State government receive our approval because of the fidelity with which our State officials have discharged their duties.

4. For our representatives in Congress, Senators Boies Penrose and Philander C. Knox, and Representative Solomon R. Dresser, we express our highest admiration. We desire especially to give expression to our sincere appreciation of Congressman Dresser's able and efficient services for his constituents in whose affections he has lastingly entrenched himself.

5. We wish, also, to record our high estimate and unqualified endorsement of the effective services in the State Legislature of State Senator Myron Matson and Representatives Joseph M. McElroy and John W. Campbell, all of whom merit the kindliest sentiments of our people.

6. For the excellent ticket this day nominated, we pledge our united, loyal support at the polls in November next. Each and all of these candidates are worthy of our esteem and can justly command the support of the citizens of McKean county, irrespective of party affiliation.

7. In testimony of our faith in Messrs. Walter S. Calderwood, R. M. Swisher and Thomas B. Wilson, delegates to represent McKean county in the State convention, we entrust to them, without instructions, the duties they have been selected to discharge, knowing that they will properly represent our county and great party.

8. To Mr. George Paton, chairman, and B. M. Wick, Esq., secretary, and members of the Republican county committee, we extend our cordial thanks for their efficient conduct of the campaign of 1904. Mr. Paton, as chairman, has labored unceasingly for the party's success and has deservedly earned the coveted distinction of having led, in the last general election, our candidates to victory with larger majorities than ever before attained in our county, and of having cemented, in a lasting union, the factions of our party.

Former Smethport Man Honored.

Arthur Cornforth of El Paso county, Colorado, has been made Lieutenant Governor of that State. Mr. Cornforth was born in Smethport and spent his early life here and many of our old and middle-aged residents will be pleased to read the following from the Colorado Springs Gazette of March 26: "The elevation of Senator Cornforth to the Lieutenant Governorship is a source of gratification not only to his many friends in El Paso county, but to the members of the Legislature as well, for it is doubtful whether any man in either House is more popular with his colleagues, regardless of politics. Mr. Cornforth was elected to the Senate in 1902 and since then he has been an acknowledged leader in that body. As president pro tem of the present session he has presided over the Senate in the absence of former Lieutenant Governor McDonald, and in this often trying position he has given perfect satisfaction by reason of his uniform coolness and impartiality. Attorney General Miller has decided that Mr. Cornforth retains his seat as Senator, so he will hold two offices, though he will draw only one salary. In case of the death or removal of Governor McDonald he would succeed to the Governorship. Colorado has had so many chief executions in the recent past that the country experiences considerable difficulty in keeping track of them, so it is to be hoped that the present incumbent will serve out the remainder of the two years, but if the unexpected should happen it is quite certain that the affairs of the State would be safe in the hands of the present Lieutenant Governor."

Sermons in Pictures.

Beginning next Sunday evening and continuing throughout the week the pastor of the Methodist church will give a series of sermons on Bunyan's Pilgrim's Progress, illustrated by large paintings unfolding the wonderful story of Pilgrim's journey from the City of Destruction to the Golden City. The special topic for Sunday evening is, Leaving the City of Destruction, and the topics for the service during the week, beginning at eight o'clock with a song service, are: Hindrances in the Flight, Entering the Straight Gate, Coming to the Cross, The Hill Difficulty and The Palace Beautiful.

At the morning service the pastor will tell of recent genuine revivals and their signal to Smethport.

New spring styles at The Lindholm Company's Easter opening.

TABULATED VOTE CAST AT REPUBLICAN PRIMARIES SATURDAY, MARCH 25, 1905.

DISTRICTS.	Sheriff. Burt McAllister	Sheriff. Geo. W. Mitchell	Prothon. Samuel E. Bell	Prothon. J. L. Johnson	Clerk of Courts Wm. H. Morrison	Register of Wills, etc. John B. Eastman	Recorder H. M. Choate	D. Att'y. G. B. Mayo	D. Att'y. H. S. Rogers	Co. Comm'r's. C. A. Drake	Co. Comm'r's. George Griffiths	Co. Comm'r's. John A. Peterson	Co. Auditors Oscar Engstrom	Co. Auditors C. W. Freeman	Co. Auditors L. F. Wilcox	Delegates W. S. Calderwood	Delegates R. M. Swisher	Delegates Thomas B. Wilson	Committeemen.
Annin Township	12	87	36	14	38	43	59	18	32	31	26	36	25	33	30	33	38	37	J. J. McCarey.
B'f'd. City, 1st Wd., 1st Dist.	49	52	58	45	68	66	68	40	43	55	57	57	53	60	37	64	62	76	B. J. Berwald.
" " " 2nd "	64	52	43	73	75	78	71	50	51	62	77	55	51	64	45	70	70	86	Alex Harrington.
" " 2nd " 1st "	135	80	75	142				129	76	72	140	139	128	140	78				John Vanfine.
" " " 2nd "	72	75	70	76	111	115	113	78	63	96	70	79	87	86	85	111	112	115	Geo. Paton.
" " 3rd " 1st "	88	38	43	87	77	79	79	64	52	50	75	96	58	72	14	85	87	97	H. M. Cosgrove.
" " " 2nd "	108	25	83	95	89	91	90	67	49	53	72	102	75	79	40	91	89	103	Edward Fawley.
" " 4th "	159	114	80	194	140	152	150	154	102	117	161	200	158	167	107	141	146	160	Wm. Bovaird, Jr.
" " 5th "	69	119	111	77	140	150	140	131	49	86	116	116	103	110	85	128	126	150	C. E. Harrington.
" " 6th "	102	115	70	148	155	157	157	112	93	92	124	159	109	154	88	162	163	187	H. E. Allen.
Bradford Twp., 1st Dist.	37	42	12	68	45	69	68	69	16	14	62	62	45	62	31	62	60	65	J. C. Johnson.
" " 2nd "	46	40	29	45	44	46	44	35	32	44	52	53	30	33	40	25	23	31	C. M. Carman.
Ceres Township	1	27	14	14	23	28	20	23	5	16	33	13	14	19	15	26	26	25	F. B. King.
Corydon Twp., 1st Dist.	10	18	16	13	25	21	19	10	16	6	19	27	20	18	9	22	23	24	B. D. Tome.
" " 2nd "	6	11	7	10	16	12	15	2	14	5	13	12	8	14	8	15	14	14	J. Hinton.
Eldred Boro	2	102	100	9	93	102	98	100	10	83	47	66	45	72	76	95	76	87	A. D. Gould.
Eldred Township	10	40	34	13	37	41	43	30	19	34	22	24	25	28	26	40	38	40	C. M. Slack.
Foster Twp., 1st Dist.	19	25	10	33	30	33	35	35	8	27	28	26	29	30	19	33	36	38	E. B. Sage.
" 2nd "	12	25	8	33	30	33	29	16	20	23	29	26	19	26	22	33	30	34	J. F. Larson.
Hamilton Twp., 1st Dist.	22	72	41	54	91	91	88	50	45	31	88	87	84	77	30	90	88	88	A. G. Frederickson.
" " 2nd "	6	24	16	11	21	18	19	13	10	13	22	12	10	20	8	15	16	16	Arthur Kibbe
Hamlin Twp., 1st Dist.	29	156	162	23	161	164	163	57	123	28	163	151	45	156	129	158	159	164	J. C. Brenneman.
" " 2nd "	13	36	29	20	44	45	42	6	42	1	47	46	46	38	7	46	48	42	C. R. Paulson.
" " 3rd "	45	23	31	35	54	54	53	37	33	14	56	40	37	50	25	58	50	54	H. E. Ashbaugh.
Kane Boro, 1st Ward	58	73	62	74	95	107	100	62	64	17	133	103	97	95	34	109	97	98	Alf. Evans.
" " 2nd "	46	127	129	44	152	152	150	43	127	25	157	136	132	10	106	156	134	133	N. M. Orr.
" " 3rd "	25	91	71	45	95	102	98	39	77	39	104	68	73	94	43	107	80	74	Al. Risdon.
" " 4th "	47	72	91	29	96	99	98	43	75	26	114	30	69	81	39	105	92	94	P. Hanson.
Keating Twp., 1st Dist.	14	70	60	21	67	70	69	41	36	31	60	49	50	42	45	53	53	52	C. H. Pratt.
" " 2nd "	23	39	35	18	40	41	41	34	20	25	38	34	39	26	32	40	36	43	James Bray.
" " 3rd "	4	77	58	22	86	70	68	42	38	20	65	61	37	64	36	66	65	68	C. H. Shannon.
Lafayette Twp., 1st Dist.	8	32	31	7	37	37	35	24	15	21	33	22	30	31	17	39	39	39	John Bartley.
" " 2nd "	23	22	26	20	30	29	30	30	7	25	22	31	21	33	19	32	34	36	H. B. Cannon.
" " 3rd "	9	11	2	18				14	7	10	14	17	18	12	9				
" " 4th "	16	11	17	9	19	21	22	12	12	4	21	20	18	20	11	21	24	21	A. R. Dewey.
Liberty Township	79	58	115	17	99	111	95	48	66	70	71	82	89	40	79	72	66	80	Geo. Lewis.
Mt. Jewett Boro	38	132	106	65	141	144	151	17	162	39	150	135	125	138	45	142	157	139	M. J. Gallup.
Norwich Twp., 1st Dist.	19	57	60	15	71	72	73	22	52	27	69	56	44	22	66	67	69	68	Chas. Benson.
" " 2nd "		10	9	1	10	10	10	5	5	4	8	7	5	7	7	10	9	9	M. C. Sturn.
Otto Twp., 1st Dist.	82	77	57	54	97	101	104	98	12	113	4	3	14	9	100	92	92	95	W. F. Sprague.
" 2nd "	30	37	4	52	40	39	32	41	10	54	13	10	22	25	34	41	39	43	C. A. Williams.
Port Allegany Boro	59	102	101	58	132	135	143	102	53	56	112	128	120	108	95	135	127	130	J. L. Ward.
Sergeant Twp., 1st Dist.	20	64	74	11	71	74	72	62	22	8	82	82	84	15	67	65	66	65	J. C. Martin.
" " 2nd "	5	22	22	5	19	18	19	4	23	16	21	22	18	9	19	24	24	24	D. M. Davis.
Smethport Boro	61	285	279	67	319	320	312	197	144	97	266	268	256	145	236	241	234	237	W. A. Ostrander.
Wetmore Twp.	35	62	44	50	68	78	69	47	45	15	89	73	70	63	19	79	76	72	John A. Gustafson.
	1782	2853	2581	2085	3368	3446	3527	2341	2086	1818	3207	3130	2784	2752	2296	3287	3195	3353	

ANCIENT HISTORY.

Happening in McKean County in Days of Old. Taken from the Files.

Died, near this place, on Feb. 11, 1878, of typhoid pneumonia, Thomas McCabe, in the 21st year of his age.

He received the best medical attendance, but in vain, the destroying malady had fastened itself upon his vitals. He was attended in his dying moments by Rev. J. F. Smith. His remains were followed to the grave by a large concourse of sorrowing friends who will long mourn his untimely departure. May he rest in peace.

The wedding of Mr. Eugene Quackenbush and Miss Ella Sartwell, took place at the residence of the bride's father, C. K. Sartwell, Esq., in this place, on Wednesday evening, Feb. 13, 1878, and was attended by a large number of guests, both from home and abroad. A large delegation was present from the Oil Exchange, at Tarport, who brought some very handsome and valuable presents for the bride. The house and grounds were brilliantly illuminated and tastefully decorated. The Rev. J. C. Whiteside performed the marriage ceremony in a very becoming and impressive manner.

The bride was dressed in a cream colored silk, cut princess style, trimmed with point aplique, bridal veil, orange blossoms, point lace at her throat pinned with a diamond.

All the ladies were dressed elegantly and richly.

The bride was the recipient of many valuable presents, among which from the members of Tuna Valley Oil Exchange presented with their regards and best wishes a solid silver tea service of six pieces and an elegant decorated china service of 125 pieces.

Harry, son of Dr. and Mrs. H. L. McCoy, about five years of age, died Wednesday evening, Feb. 27, 1878, after a painful illness of a few weeks. The heart broken parents and grandparents have the sympathy of the entire community.

Died—In Keating township, March 7, 1878, after a lingering illness of nearly a year, Lawrence, only son of R. G. and Rose Curtis, aged five years and thirteen days.

For many days it has been no secret that Capt. Ernhout of Wilcox, and Mrs. A. E. Taylor of this place, were to be married on Wednesday, March 20, 1878. The event was anticipated with more than ordinary interest by the very large circle of acquaintances and warm friends of the parties, and at the appointed hour (11 a. m.) the spacious parlors of the Taylor residence were comfortably filled with personal friends and invited guests of the bride and groom. Most of the prominent families of the borough were represented, and there were also present a large number of the Captain's friends from Wilcox and Ridgway. Rev. S. D. Morris performed the ceremony, which was brief and impressive. The individual congratulations of the entire company was then received by Mr. and Mrs. Ernhout, which were given and received in an affectionate manner. Full justice was done by all to a bountiful wedding breakfast. Mr. and Mrs. Ernhout left for Washington on the afternoon train.

Mrs. Fred McCoy has twin girls for the 1st of April, 1878, and there is no "fooling" about it. The McCoys, in one respect, are like those hens of Laidlow's that roost in one barn. One day thinking we would like a warm meal, a change in our bill of fare, we killed two of those hens, and the next day three more came and took their place. Eugene McCoy started for California on Monday, and the same morning two young ladies were added to the family of Fred McCoy—keeping the family more than good. Fred is to be congratulated on his good luck. [Cattaraugus Record.]

J. P. Wendell, our enterprising grocer, has taken Miss Eliza D. Gallup, daughter of Philetus Gallup of Keating township, into partnership for life. The ceremony was performed at the residence of the bride's parents Wednesday, April 10, 1878, with the assistance of Rev. J. C. Whiteside, and the family friends and a number of invited guests as witnesses. A large circle of warm friends unite in wishing for the new firm a long life full of happiness and worldly prosperity.

Buchanan-Rutledge.—At the residence of the bride's parents, in Corydon, Pa., March 20th, 1878, Mr. Orlo J. Buchanan and Miss Mila A. Rutledge.

Drake-Woodmancy.—At the residence of Andrew Bush, in Keating township, on Monday evening, April 15, 1878, by G. M. Smith, Esq., Mr. Jackson Drake and Miss Lucinda Woodmancy, both of Eldred township.

Stickles-Kent.—At the residence of the bride, in Pleasant Valley, Potter county, Pa., by Rev. J. G. Sanders, April 20, 1878, Mr. Hiram Stickles of Smethport, Pa., and Mrs. Dorcas Kent of the former place.

Another new paper—The Sunday Breeze—has been established in Bradford. We hope the new comer will meet with none but prosperous breezes. [April 1878.]

DROWNING ACCIDENT

Leo Coleman, aged 12 Years, of Bradford Met Death Saturday Afternoon—Heroic Playmate.

Leo Coleman, aged 12 years, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Coleman of Bradford, was drowned about 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon, while playing on the W., N. Y. & P. R. R. trestle which crosses the East Branch several hundred feet above the B., R. & P. depot.

The following is from Monday's Era: The boy, in company with John Sloan, a son of Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Sloan of No. 32 Summer street, was playing on the trestle, spearing floating pieces of wood. The flooded condition of the stream resulted in many large pieces of timber being carried toward the mill dam and the lads took especial delight in spearing and holding the driftwood. Attached to the spears were long pieces of rope which the boys had wound around their bodies. Young Coleman lost his balance while leaning over the trestle or else was dragged from his position by the weight of one of the speared pieces of wood, the fast current adding to the impetus.

With a scream he fell into the swollen stream and within a few seconds was struggling for life in the icy waters, fully 100 yards down the creek from the trestle. Sloan, regardless of the fact that he was unable to swim, ran swiftly to a small plot of ground abutting the creek, and jumped boldly into the stream in an effort to rescue his companion and playmate. Reaching the boy he caught him and attempted to swim to the western bank of the creek, but the effort was too great and after struggling desperately against the current for a few minutes, he was compelled to relinquish his hold on the drowning lad and strive for his own safety. The rushing water also saved him from perishing. Persons on the bank attempted to throw boards and heavy sticks to the boys to cling to, but they failed to reach the youths. Sloan, nearly unconscious, was carried by the current near a clump of bushes where a long pole was reached him and he was dragged to the shore.

The Coleman boy was seen to come to the surface several times but finally sank beneath the water and his body has since been hidden by the stream.

He was an exceptionally bright child and the grief of his parents over his loss is pitiable. Members of the fire and police departments, as well as neighbors and friends, searched all day yesterday along the banks of the creek to the mill dam but their efforts met with ill success. The search will be continued until the remains are discovered. John Sloan, the 13-year-old hero, who so valiantly risked his life for his playmate, is confined to his home, suffering the effects of his trying adventure.

Strenuous efforts have been made to recover the body but as yet they have been unsuccessful.

Second Annual Session of the McKean Co. School Directors Association.

The second annual meeting of the School Directors of McKean County in compliance with the Act of 1903, will be held at the Court House, in Smethport, on Tuesday, May 2nd, 1905, commencing at 8 o'clock p. m.

Owing to the severe weather at our first meeting in February, it was then suggested by several of the officers and members of the association, that its meetings be held at a later date, and when the County Superintendent called a meeting of the program committee to prepare a program for a session in February, the members of that committee, who are also officers of the Association, decided to hold the session immediately after the meeting of the School Directors for the purpose of electing a County Superintendent, for two reasons, one that we would likely have a better attendance, and also it would be a saving of expense to the districts and to the Directors, as the law provides for the payment of mileage for attendance at the County convention, and also for payment of the actual expenses of the Directors, including entertainment, attending the Association.

Would again call the attention of the Directors to the necessity of attending, as it is required by law, and we believe it to be in the interests of the schools that some of the Directors of each district be present.

Those of us who attended last year were well pleased with the instructive and interesting papers then read and the discussions there had. Particular attention is called to the fact that the county pays toward the expenses of the Association $1.00 for each director in attendance.

SHERIDAN GORTON, President.

County papers please copy.

Attend the Easter opening and reception at The Lindholm Co.'s store Thursday evening, April 6.

Step into Wells' Drug Store and see what our Enamel Paints will do at little expense. Holmes & Gilfillan.

Latest spring novelties in ladies' wear can be seen at The Lindholm Company Easter opening.

TELEPHONIC ROMANCE

BY AMY DUPREE

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"Two hundred thirty-four J don't answer," said central, ringing off, but before she could lean back for an instant's breathing spell 719 M called her up again.

"Central, why can't I get my house?"

"I'm sure I don't know," she answered, with a suspicion of laughter in her voice.

"I'll bet those confounded servants are gossiping down in the basement. Ring 'em again, and ring 'em like thunder."

Central obeyed his orders energetically, but without results.

"I can't get any answer," she said gently to the irate man at the other end of the line, "but I'll try them again in a few minutes, and if I get an answer I'll call you up. No, I won't forget," she said, almost before the man had uttered his warning. "I know you call the house every morning from your office."

"Thank you," said the man, much mollified. "Those servants are so careless, and my niece, who looks after the children, is confined to her room by illness."

Circleville's telephone system was not very complicated. The three girls who presided in the central office were not kept occupied as in a larger city because this was a new institution in the pretty inland city and subscribers were not coming in fast enough to satisfy the telephone company. Only one of the girls hailed from Circleville. The other two were from Chicago, and it was Margaret Baxter, one of the Chicago girls, who had answered Mr. Dickson's imperative calls.

For the next few minutes, she was kept busy plugging in and out on her board. But all the time a queer little smile hovered about her lips and a light almost tender shone in her eyes.

"It would be very funny," she said to herself, "if it should all be straightened out by telephone, and I would not be at all surprised if that is just what Jack hoped for." Then she turned quickly and rang up 234 J.

A rather thick voice with a distinct brogue answered to the call with a sullen "Hello."

Margaret's face turned grave and firm lines showed about her mouth.

"Why has no one answered the telephone?" she said, rather sternly. "I have been ringing you on and off for fifteen minutes."

"Sure I've somethin' to do beside runnin' up them stairs to answer this bell. It's a wonder a woman can't eat her breakfast in peace."

Margaret connected 234 J with 719 M, rang softly to herself, "Poor C[illegible] and his babies at the mercy o[illegible] woman."

The conversation at the wire claimed her attention. There were reasons why she felt she had a right to listen.

"Hello, Mary, is this you?"

"Yes, sir."

"How is Master Reginald?"

"Fine, sir."

"What did he eat for his breakfast?"

"A peach, a bowl of rice and milk and five cakes."

"Now, Mary, I've told you repeatedly not to let him have hot cakes."

"Then, sir, you'll have to stay at home and keep him from it. It's a cook I am and no nurse."

"Well, well," said the man anxiously, as one who realized he was in a predicament and needed the good will of every one, "I'm sure while Miss Ellen is sick you will look after the children, and I will not forget it when I pay you next week."

This bit of diplomacy elicited no reply from the other end of the wire.

"Has Miss Jessie gone to school?"

"She has not. Sure the string's off her hood and one of her rubbers is lost entirely, and I told her she'd best stay home till her Aunt Ellen could get about."

"Dear, dear," said the man, and a prodigious sigh seemed to choke his utterance.

"Is that all, sir?" said the woman impatiently.

"I guess so," he replied reluctantly and hung up his receiver.

At her end of the wire the woman slammed up the receiver with a crash which made central flush just a bit angrily. Clump, clump, clump, she went down the basement stairway to meet a look of inquiry on the face of her husband, gardener and man of all work for Henry Dickson, president of the Excelsior Hardware company.

"Sure, it's the same old thing," she said snappishly as she tossed the soap into the dish pan. "Frettin' his soul out about those two children. It's no place for me and you, Tim. Either the old man or the young un ought to marry. What with church and parties and a fly he might nature into the bargain, Miss Ellen's no good at all, at all. When she's in the house she's in bed, and when she's not in bed she's out of the house."

Tim shook his head and marched out to the stable, and Mary turned to face a shrinking little figure in the doorway.

"I want to sit behind the stove, Mary. There's no fire in the library, and I'm cold all over."

"I'll bet the young un's goin' to be sick," said Mary as she made room for the child on the wood box behind the stove. "She ought to had on her warm flannels last week. Sit there, dear, whilst I tell you about the fairies Paddy O'Glyn met on his way to Donegal fair."

The man at the other end of the line had been leaning back in a chair, staring up at the ceiling. Finally he called his stenographer and dictated a letter. It was addressed to Charles Dickson and wound up as follows:

"While you're in Chicago I wish you would step in to see your aunt Mary Graves. Things are not going right at the house, I fear. Ellen is too frivolous and fond of society to do what is entirely right by us and the children. Your aunt Mary is a capable woman and would pull things together in less than no time."

But even with the letter started on its way Mr. Dickson felt uneasy. Aunt Mary was capable, but was she sympathetic enough to deal with those children? He recalled the gentle ways and the fair face of the dead daughter-in-law. He wished somehow Aunt Mary would wave her hair about her face and smile once in awhile. But she was better than the more uncertain element he had dreaded—a stepmother for his beloved grandchildren.

And all the time Margaret Baxter sat in front of the switchboard, plugging the jacks and thinking. Just before he closed up his desk to go home Mr. Dickson was surprised to catch her voice with a new, almost friendly accent.

"Is this Mr. Dickson?"

"Yes."

"Shall I call Mary and tell her to have the children come down to meet you?"

Mr. Dickson lived some distance beyond the street car terminus, and Tim always drove down in the runabout to meet him. It never struck him as odd that the telephone girl knew of his daily habit. Perhaps she lived in the neighborhood. He answered in a relieved tone:

"Yes; I'd forgotten to call her."

"And if you didn't call her she wouldn't remember, would she?"

"No, no," agreed the man, "these servants are a great trial." Then as central rang off he muttered to himself: "There's a girl who will make a fine business woman some day. I would not mind having her in my office."

And, though he could never tell just how it happened, from that time on it was central who had the trying conversation with Mary until Miss Ellen got about, and after that with Miss Ellen herself, merely giving him a condensed report of the conversation. This saved his time, which was valuable, and it pleased his fancy that some one appreciated his absorbing interest in the children.

That was why he had a bouquet of flowers sent up to the telephone exchange one day and a box of candy another. Several times he was tempted to call in person, but he finally decided that seeing the girl face to face might prove a disillusion. Faces and voices do not always harmonize, and yet he thought of the great relief it was to receive messages from central instead of Irate Mary or butterfly Ellen. He felt sure that this particular voice stood for a face fair and womanly. Then he would recall a recent letter from his son, Aunt Mary would come for a consideration.

But finally an inspiration came to him. Reggie was having a birthday. Ellen, with characteristic heedlessness, had forgotten this important event and had arranged to join a house party for the very night. But this should not stand in the way of a proper observance of the occasion. Reggie should have a birthday spree, and the guest of honor should be this central girl, with whom the two children had held many little talks across the wire.

She accepted the invitation sent in Reggie's name. She rode out in the runabout driven by the suspicious Tim, who had made unpleasant remarks to his wife about old fools and pretty girls. And she finally entered the door opened by Mr. Dickson himself.

He gave a sigh of relief, which was drowned in the tumultuous greetings of the children. She was just what he had dreamed of, but what he had not dared to hope for. They had a merry evening, and when the two children were sitting down, one on either side of her, to hear what Reggie described as corking goblin stories, the sound of a latchkey fell upon Mr. Dickson's ear.

He rose uncertainly; so did Margaret Baxter, and so did the two children. And that was the scene upon which entered Charles Dickson, general representative for the Excelsior Hardware company, just returned from a hard trip on the road. He looked at his father, who flushed. He looked at Margaret Baxter, who smiled. He looked at the two children, who shrieked simultaneously and made a rush at him.

When he had escaped from their embraces his father started to make the necessary introduction, but the younger man waved him aside.

"I have known Margaret for some time—in fact, long before you knew her. When the children have finished their frolic and gone to bed I—well, we will explain this matter to you."

Mr. Dickson, Sr., looked from his son's dancing eyes to Margaret Baxter's flushed face and remarked dryly:

"It won't be necessary. And while Miss Baxter is finishing that goblin story you had better telegraph to Aunt Mary. Tell her she need not come. We've changed our minds."

Sleeping Time.

A New York physician gives the following as his ideas of the pace that kills:

"Every man that does not take at least eight hours' sleep out of every twenty-four is robbing himself of just that much vital energy. The men who in the future will live to be 100 years old will take more than eight hours' sleep every day of their lives. Man cannot burn the candle at both ends because nature will not permit him to do it."

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What Shall We Have for Dessert?

The question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it to-day. Try Jell-O, a delicious and healthful dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No boiling! no baking! simply add boiling water and set to cool. Flavors:—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. Get a package at your grocers to-day.

EVERYBODY WANTS A TIP.

Experiences of an American Woman While Visiting Venice.

One of the things that most astonish you with regard to the working class Italian is the perfect frankness with which he shows his desire for a tip. No false modesty obscures it. You may sometimes fear that you will forget it. Let such fears forever rest. He won't let you. He will follow you, asking you if you have your parasol when he sees it in your hand or if you know the way out when he has just told it to you. The whole poor population of Venice is absolutely naif in its exhibition of a desire for any small sum of money the passerby may throw it. The children, one and all, make a demand for a soldino as a matter of course. It is a sort of greeting to every foreigner casually as a phrase of general usage.

Coming from the bath you fee the girl who has charge of the bathhouses. If you don't she has a dozen ways of making herself disagreeable next time you come. And do not allay your troubled anticipations by the thought she may not recognize you. One glimpse of a face fixes it in her memory for months. After that you fee the woman who takes care of your purse and jewelry. If you fee her enough she digs out from some inner recess a cheap mirror which distorts your countenance and allows you to look into it and see how truly hideous the human visage can be made to appear. Before the bath you have to fee the old woman who gives you your bathing suit. If you neglect her the next time you come she will give you a suit that doesn't fit you or is full of holes.

When you go out on the terrasse for a black coffee, which costs 10 cents, you fee the waiter. When you get into your gondola you fee the old man who draws it close to the steps with a hooked stick and offers you his withered old arm to lean on. When you get out of your gondola at the hotel you fee another old man with a hooked stick and a withered arm. And then at dinner, if you haven't just fced the waiter he will be cross, and up in your room afterward if the femme de chambre has not recently had a tip she will refuse to answer the bell.—San Francisco Argonaut.

WISDOM'S WHISPERS.

It's lucky we don't know how unlucky we may be.

It is difficult to take a woman by surprise in a love affair.

Some people are cranks simply because you can't turn them.

Some men secure all the glory attached to whatever part they assume.

A woman may know very little and yet have a way that carries conviction.

The want of refinement in a man cannot be corrected by the gloss of set phrases.

Some men take on an air of consequence to conceal the weakness of their position.

When a man can hide his thoughts in a smile he holds a powerful weapon of defense.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Where He Made His Money.

Years ago a gentleman settled in the south of England and became very popular in the neighborhood. The county families could never discover how he had made his money, but were satisfied by his solemn assurance that it was not in trade. Nothing could exceed the ordinary gravity of his demeanor, which, indeed, caused him to be placed on the commission of peace, but now and then, without any apparent provocation, he would burst into such a laugh as no one ever heard before except in one place.

Where they could have heard it puzzled the county families for five and twenty years, but at last he was betrayed unconsciously by his own grandchild, who after a visit to a traveling circus innocently exclaimed, "Why, grandpa laughs just like the clown!"—James Payn.

Horses in the Time of Homer.

The horses used in Homer's time were war horses. The warriors were drawn in chariots. The art of riding was known, but it is alluded to as something unusual. Ulysses at the time of his shipwreck "bestrode a plank, like a horseman on a big steed." There are reasons for believing that the practice of riding was much later than that of driving, and the myth of the centaur, where, according to Shakespeare, "man is incorpsed and demi-natured with the beast," probably originated at an early period when the appearance of a man on horseback was a novel sight.

A Snub For Moliere.

A remarkable incident is reported for a suburban theater in Paris. The play was "Tartuffe," and at the end of the fourth act the manager of the company came in front of the curtain and said, "Ladies and gentlemen, we shall not go any further with this piece, for the fifth act is unworthy of Moliere." How the audience took this announcement is not stated. Perhaps they went home and read the fifth act critically in the seclusion of the library.

Then He Sulked.

"Mrs. Guschley remarked to me that it must be pleasant to be married to a clever man," said Proudley's wife.

"And what did you say?" queried Proudley.

"I told her, of course, that I didn't know, that I had only been married once."

Doubting Dennis.

Judy—Will ye give me yer promise, Dennis, that ye'll love me forever? Dennis—Sure, an' Oi'd like to do that same, Judy, but Oi'm hardly of the opinion that Oi'll last as long as that.—New York Times.

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WHY TRAVEL ABROAD?

An American Should Give His First Study to His Home Land.

When Payne wrote "There's No Place Like Home," he gave poetic expression to the love he bore toward the jingle nook more precious than "temples or palaces." What flowers of rhetoric could approach in power of assertion these five little monosyllable words, "There's No Place Like Home"—to gainsay which were impossible!

It is the great privilege of Americans to be able without hyperbole to apply them to travel, for what is there in any part of the habitable globe more fraught with interest, instruction, education, refreshment of mind and body and uplifting of soul than nature has provided, with hand so lavish, for the delectation of those having the good fortune to dwell in this goodly land?

Would he see a Riviera? We have several on the shores of the azure waters both of the gulf and the Pacific far distancing that laved by the Mediterranean.

Does he pine for snow capped mountains? Let him repair to the plains whence Pike's Peak, Mount Logan and our other great elevations rear their hoary summits into cloudland.

Would he witness a majestic cataract? There is but one without a rival, the imperial Niagara—in the chain of our great lakes, most turbulent of links.

Neither Nile, Niger nor Ganges, great rivers though they are, are comparable to our own Mississippi, well named "The Father of Waters." Our peerless Hudson excels in picturesque effects the vaunted Rhine.

What of the beauties of the Golden Gate, on whose shores sits enthroned queenly San Francisco, pronounced peerless among cities by a much traveled European prince of imperial blood?

Where is there, even in miniature, anything to vie with that earthly paradise, the valley of the Yosemite; what to compare with the deep and rugged gorge through which passes to the sea the impetuous Colorado river?

The Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, one of the world's wonders, is as yet but partially explored.

Why, then, travel abroad, while all these and vastly more than can be enumerated remain unseen at home?

"Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel?" said Naaman the Syrian of old when ordered by the prophet to betake himself to the Jordan for healing. Who can help admiring his pride of country and robust patriotism? Most worthy are they of emulation.

Be it for health or recreation, there is no grander travel field than that we have at home.—Travel.

The Rainy Day.

A well known artist recently received a letter from a chap who has regularly made it a practice to borrow money of him. In this letter the chap who is always in financial difficulties surprised his correspondent by saying:

"This time I have decided to reverse the usual order of things, and, instead of borrowing from you, I inclose herewith $50, which I am going to ask that you will lay aside for me for a rainy day."

But the artist couldn't find any remittance in the letter. He searched for it on the door, under the table—in fact, everywhere he thought he might have dropped it. Then quite accidentally he turned over the sheet on which the letter was written and discovered this postscript:

"I've just looked out of the window and find it's raining like the very deuce!"—Collier's.

A Story of Sir Robert Ball.

Sir Robert Ball, the noted British astronomer, on one occasion went to a remote town in Ireland to lecture on his favorite topic. Arriving at the station, he looked for the expected conveyance, but found none. After all the other passengers had disappeared a man stepped up and said, "Maybe you're Sir Robert Ball?" On receiving an affirmative reply the man hastily apologized, saying, "Sure, your honor, I'm sorry I kept you waiting, but I was told to look for an intellectual gintleman." Sir Robert thought that under the circumstances it would be better not to inquire what was the man's idea of intellectuality.

Old Time Railway Travel.

Third class passenger coaches in England used to be coupled on next to the engine. The travelers came in for terrible treatment when any accident occurred. At times the engine was driven tender first, in which case frozen hands could be warmed at its smokestack. The passengers were packed, seventy of them, into a truck eighteen feet in length by seven and a half in width. There was no roof and not, as a rule, proper protection at the sides.

Marital Persiflage.

"I must confess," remarked Mrs. Crabbe, "I don't believe there ever was a really perfect man." "Well," replied Mr. Crabbe, "Adam would have been perfect, I suppose, if Eve had only been made first." "How do you mean?" "Well, she would have bossed the job of making Adam."—Philadelphia Press.

The Thing to Do.

Johnson—He said I was an addle pated jackass. What do you advise me to do about it? Jackson—See a good veterinary.—Leslie's Weekly.

Something Lacking.

"I can shave myself as well as any barber."

"Ah, but you can't talk to yourself while you're doing it!"

Nothing raises the price of a blessing like its removal.—Moore.

SOME FOOLISH PEOPLE

Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of medicines. They often say, "Oh it will wear away," but in most cases it will wear them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price 25c and 50c. Trial size free. At all druggists.

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Church Directory.

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TRAVELERS' GUIDE.

Pennsylvania RAILROAD.

BUFFALO AND ALLEGHENY VALLEY DIVISION.

Time Table—Taking effect Nov. 27, 1904.

TRAINS LEAVE SMETHPORT.

For Clermont, Ridgway, DuBois and Pittsburg:
Train 120, week days 10:10 a. m
For Larabee, Port Allegany, Coudersport and points; Olean, Buffalo and points north.
Train 123, week days 4:04 p. m.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD.

8:20 a. m.—Train 12, week days, for Sunbury, Wilkesbarre, Scranton, Hazleton, Ottsville, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:23 p. m., New York 9:30 p. m., Baltimore 6:00 p. m., Washington 7:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia, and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

12:25 p. m.—Train 8, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:32 p.m., New York 10:23 p. m., Baltimore 7:30 p. m., Washington 8:35 p. m. Vestibuled parlor cars and passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

3:23 p. m.—Train 6, daily, for Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 9:25 p. m., New York 7:13 a. m., Baltimore 2:20 a. m., Washington 3:30 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

10:35 p. m.—Train 4, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:25 a. m., New York 9:33 a. m., week days (10:38 a. m. Sundays). Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore.

12:20 a. m.—Train 14, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:17 a. m., New York 9:33 a. m., week days (10:38 a. m. Sundays), Baltimore 7:25 a. m., Washington 8:40 a. m. Vestibuled parlor cars and passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

WESTWARD.

5:10 a. m.—Train 9, daily, for Erie, Ridgway, and weekdays DuBois, Clermont and intermediate stations.

10:25 a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and week days for DuBois and intermediate stations.

6:20 p. m.—Train 61, week days, for Kane and intermediate stations.

Weekdays.

NORTH	STATIONS	SOUTH
A M Lv.		Ar P M
2:20	Ridgway	11:50
2:40	Johnsonburg	11:30
2:56	Glen Hazel	11:15
3:07	Straight	11:05
3:12	Instanter	10:59
3:20	Smith's Run	10:52
3:23	Wetzelville	10:45
3:35	Clermont	10:40
P M		A M

Connections are made with train 3, leaving Johnsonburg at 11:30 a. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at 3:50 p. m., and at Ridgway with train 206, leaving Ridgway 12:01 p. m. for DuBois, Red Bank, Pittsburg and intermediate points and train 6, leaving Ridgway at 2:20 p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

W. W. ATTERBURY, General Manager.
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Buffalo, Bradford & Kane Railway.

Time table in Effect June 19th, 1904, Eastern Time.

Trains leave Smethport as follows:

9:00 a. m.—Daily except Sunday for Ormsby, Simpson, Davis, Aiken, Kinzua Jct., Bradford, Mt. Jewett and Kane, connecting at Bradford with trains on Erie R. R. for all points East and West and at Kane with B. & O. R. R. for Nansen, Marienville, Clarion, Foxburg, Butler, Allegheny and intermediate, and with trains on P. & E. division, Pennsylvania R. R.

10:15 a. m.—Daily except Sunday for Ormsby, Bradford, Mt. Jewett, Kane and intermediate points, connecting at Bradford with trains on Erie R. R.

4:10 p. m.—Daily except Sunday for Ormsby, Bradford, Mt. Jewett, Kane and intermediate points, connecting at Bradford with trains on Erie R. R., East and West, and at Kane with P. R. R. for Harrisburg Philadelphia, Baltimore and Washington.

6:15 p. m.—Saturdays only for Ormsby, Simpson, David Aiken, Kinzua Junction and Bradford.

Trains arrive from Bradford, Kane, Mt. Jewett and intermediate points, daily except Sunday at 9:30 a. m., and 3:40 and 8:40 p. m. Saturday special arrives from Bradford 12:30 p. m. (Sunday).

For tickets and full information call on or address H. J. Cummings, ticket agent, Smethport, Pa.

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The Pittsburg, Shawmut & Northern R. R.

Effective Jan. 16, 1905

Trains leave Smethport as follows:

7:00 a. m.—For Mt. Jewett (arr. 7:50 a. m.) connecting with B. R. & P. Ry. for Johnsonburg (arr. 9:25 a. m.); Ridgway (arr. 9:30 a. m.); DuBois (arr. 10:15 a. m.) and Punxsutawney (arr. 11:30 a. m.).

9:01 a. m. for Eldred (arr. 9:30 a. m.), Olean (arr. 10:25 a. m.) connecting with P. R. R. for Buffalo (arr. 12:40 p. m.).

12:02 noon for Clermont (arr. 12:20 p. m.), St. Marys (arr. 1:45 p. m.), Shawmut (arr. 4:22 p. m.) and Brockwayville (arr. 5:47 p. m.).

2:20 p. m. for Eldred (arr. 2:40 p. m.), Olean (arr. 3:40 p. m.); connecting with P. R. R. for Buffalo (arr 6:10 p. m.); Bolivar (arr. 3:27 p. m.); Friendship (arr. 4:06 p. m.); Angelica (arr. 4:33 p. m.); Hornellsville (arr. 5:55 p. m.); Wayland (arr. 7:05 p. m.), connecting with D. L. & W. for all points east.

Trains arrive—9:00—From Mt. Jewett with connections from Kane, 2:40 p. m.—From Brockwayville, Shawmut, St. Marys and Clermont, 12:02 noon—From Hornellsville, Wayland, Angelica, Friendship, Bolivar and Olean 2:35 p. m.—From Mt. Jewett with connections from B. R. & P., 7:32 p. m.—From Olean and Eldred.

N. B.—All trains daily except Sunday.

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Railroad Time Table, taking effect Monday, March 18, 1901.

Ar. Eastward.		STATIONS.		Lv Westward.	
A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	Ar	Dp	A.M.	P.M.	A.M.
8.05	7.05	2.10	Ulysses		7.20	2.25	9.10
7.50	6.53	2.10	Crowell		7.49	2.32	9.19
7.46	0	1.57	Carpenter		0	2.34	9.-
7.40	6.48	1.53	Perkins		7.32	2.37	9.30
7.37	6.45	1.50	New'fld June		7.37	2.42	9.32
0	0	1.45	Newfield		7.41	2.46	0
7.05	6.36	1.41	Gold		7.44	2.49	9.4[illegible]
7.00	6.30	1.35	Raymond		7.49	2.55	9.47
6.50	6.21	1.24	Seven Bdg's		8.01	3.06	10.02
6.40	6.17	1.20	Colesburg		8.04	3.09	10.10
6.25	6.10	1.12	Frinks		8.12	3.17	10.20
6.15	0	1.05	N. Couda'pt		0	3.26	10.35
6.10	6.00	1.00	Dp.	Ar.	8.25	3.30	10.45
A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	Coudersport.			P.M.	P.M.
4.20	7.45	12.15	Ar.	Dp.	8.28	6.00	1.20
0	0	12.13	Hammond		0	0	0
4.05	7.38	12.09	Olmsted		8.33	6.05	1.25
3.59	7.35	12.05	Mina		8.37	6.10	1.37
3.45	0	11.59	Knowlton		0	6.17	0
3.40	7.25	11.55	Roulette		8.47	6.21	1.51
3.30	7.16	11.47	Burtville		8.54	6.28	2.01
3.23	0	11.41	Coleman		0	6.34	0
3.20	0	0	Chem. Wks		0	0	0
3.15	7.05	11.36	Pt. Allegany		9.08	6.46	2.25
P.M.	P.M.	A.M.	Dp	Ar	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.

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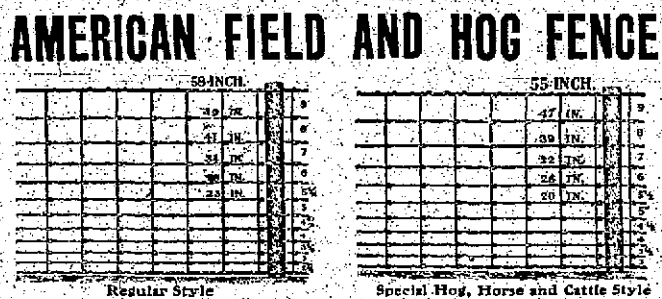

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McKean County Miner

Smethport, Thursday, March 30, 1905.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Gentle spring.

—Mrs. M. L. Bisett has a new advertisement in this issue.

—The auditors' report of Keating township appears in this issue.

—Read the interesting advertisement of Holmes & Gilfillan in this issue.

—H. W. Rubin gives some interesting prices in his clothing advertisement this week.

—Miss Ruth Oviatt is acting as organist at St. Luke's church in the absence of Miss Helen McCoy.

—You should not lay aside this paper without reading Monheimer's advertisement on Walk-Over shoes.

—Coudersport fishermen are making an effort to form a fish and game club. A club of that kind is a good thing in any town.

—Mrs. A. E. Hinman opens a millinery and ladies' furnishing store in Hazelhurst this week, with Miss Effa Hinman and Mrs. E. J. Nichols in charge.

—The Cross Fork News says that surveyors are at work locating roads in the Hannesly Fork tract, which will furnish 225,000,000 feet of hemlock for the Lackawanna mill at that place.

—A Rushford woman who was troubled with a chapped face, took a box of "salve" to bed with her, and in the morning discovered that she had been applying shoe blacking to her face during the night.—Ex.

—Here is a new one: When tomorrow is yesterday, to-day will be as far from the end of the week as was to-day from the beginning of the week when yesterday was tomorrow. What is to-day?

—Two women, members of the Gospel workers were doing missionary work and raising funds in town the forepart of the week. They entertained a large crowd in front of the Grand Central on Monday with musical a program.

—Richard Bess was cleaning out a small dynamite cap Tuesday to make a tip for an umbrella when it exploded tearing his right hand severely, necessitating the loss of two fingers. Mr. Bess is an old soldier and been in poor health for a long time and this misfortune necessitated a call for outside help. An order of relief was taken out.—Eldred Eagle.

—Miss Mary Cotton, preceptress of the Smethport High School, has been offered a position for next year in a large Seminary in Atlanta, Ga., whose faculty numbers about 45. The school grounds contain 20 acres and on this campus are 9 large buildings.—Eldred Eagle.

—Miss Alice Roosevelt's chauffeur was fined the other day in Washington for exceeding the speed limit. He claimed immunity because some of the members of the President's family were passengers. But the magistrate showed that he was not toadying to anybody on that particular occasion, and the fine had to be paid.

—Edward Kelley, 14 years old, son of James Kelley of Lindsey, Pa., died from spotted fever Saturday night and was buried in the Clayville cemetery Sunday morning. The case developed in 48 hours, and 10 hours before his death his body became covered with spots, the nature of which could not be mistaken. The Kelley home has been placed under quarantine.

—William L. Burke, a well known printer formerly of Bradford, died on Sunday at the Printer's Home at Colorado Springs, Col., where for the past few weeks he has been receiving treatment for tuberculosis. He is survived by his widow and three children, Margaret, Howard and Beatrice Burke, two sisters, Miss Katherine Burke and Mrs. James Hyland, all of Bradford, and brother, John Burke, of Johnstown, Pa.

—E. B. McKee of Towanda was elected chairman of the executive committee of the Pennsylvania State Editorial Association at its annual meeting at Harrisburg on Tuesday. The association accepted an invitation from the Merchants and Manufacturers Association of Pittsburg to hold its annual convention in that city in the middle of next September. The association will probably hold its meeting next year at Charleston, S. C., in response to an invitation from the Board of Trade of that city.

—An old man would not believe that he could hear his wife talk a distance of five miles by telephone. His better half was in a country town several miles away, where there was a similar instrument, and on being told how to go into it he walked boldly up and shouted: "Hello Sarah." At that instant lightning struck the telephone wire and knocked the man down, and as he scrambled to his feet he excitedly cried: "That's Her."—Illustrated Bits.

Subscribe for the MINER.

The Early Use of Skates.

Holland is [illegible] home and birthplace of [illegible] without doubt skating [illegible] practiced there and in the [illegible] country of lakes and canals. The severity of walking and running [illegible] have been felt from the [illegible] ages. In Holland they show [illegible] skates which were found in one of the mounds of which a Friesland village was built. The skates were fastened to the feet by straps passed through holes which were made in the bones. A Danish historian mentions the sport in 1134. The bone skates were also first used in England. A writer in his account of the amusements of the young people of London in the twelfth century mentions the fact that it was usual for them to fasten the leg bones of animals under the soles of their feet by tying them around their ankles; then, taking a pole shod with iron, they pushed themselves forward with great rapidity by striking this pole into the ice.

Aunt Chloe and the Dinner.

Mrs. McJarvis had invited a number of friends to dinner, but the cook left her on the morning of the appointed day without a moment's notice, says the Chicago Tribune.

In this emergency she hunted up an old friend of the family, Aunt Chloe, wife of Uncle Ephraim, and asked her to take the cook's place.

"I'll cook de dinnah, missis," said Aunt Chloe, "if you'll give me wot's left."

Mrs. McJarvis agreed, and within a few hours the dinner was well under way.

Later in the day she visited the kitchen.

"Why, Aunt Chloe," she said, "I have only five persons to entertain, and you are cooking everything there is in the house! What is that?"

"I want to make shu', missis," said auntie, "dat dere'll be sum'n lef'."

London's First Omnibus.

The first London omnibus was really much more gorgeous than its successor of today. It was an imposing vehicle, beautifully decorated and painted, with accommodation for twenty-two passengers inside, and was drawn by three handsome bays, driven by a smart coachman in livery, and its conductor was gay in a blue cloth uniform, like a midshipman. This conductor, by the way, was the son of a naval captain and spoke French so well that it was quite common for the poke bonneted young ladies from Paddington to ride as far as the city and back with the object of improving their French by chatting with him. The fare from the Yorkshire Stingo, at Paddington, to the Bank was a shilling; halfway, sixpence, and newspapers and books were provided for the passengers.—London Globe.

Care of Harness.

Take the harness to a room where you can unbuckle it and separate the parts completely. Wash each part well in lukewarm water to which has been added a little potash. Scrub well with a brush until all the grease and dust have been removed. Work the pieces well under the hand until they become supple. It won't do to oil until it becomes so. Let the parts dry in a place where they will do so slowly. When just moist, oil. For this purpose use cod liver oil. It is the best for the purpose. Besides, if you were to use neatsfoot the rats and mice are your enemies at once, while they will not touch a harness oiled with cod liver oil. Give a good dose of oil to all parts, then hang up to dry. When dry, rub well with a soft rag.

A Russian Sentry.

In 1830 the Russian emperor saw a soldier in the middle of a grass plot in the palace grounds. Why was there a daily guard, relieved at stated intervals? No one knew. Curiosity was aroused, and at last a veteran was discovered who remembered hearing his father say that the Empress Catherine, she died in 1727—once saw a snowdrop in bloom at that point unusually early and asked that a guard be stationed there to protect it. And there a sentinel remained for at least 132 years; no one knew how much longer.

For Sore Throat.

Those subject to sore throat will find the following preparation simple, cheap and highly efficacious when used in the early stage. Pour a pint of boiling water on thirty leaves of the common sage and let the infusion stand for an hour; add vinegar sufficient to make it pleasantly acid and honey to taste. The mixture should be used as a gargle twice a day. There is no danger if some of it is swallowed.

Disappointment on Both Sides.

"You said the house was only five minutes' walk from the station," complained the victim. "To say the least, I'm disappointed in you."

"And I'm disappointed in you," replied the agent. "I thought you were a very rapid walker."—Philadelphia Press.

Next to excellence is the appreciation of it.—Thackeray.

The Weight of Hats.

"[illegible] do you suppose this hat [illegible]" said the latter, taking up a [illegible] top hat of silk.

"[illegible] a [illegible]," the patron hazarded.

[illegible] over a quarter of a [illegible], to be precise. No [illegible] the latter, "runs over [illegible] nowadays.

"[illegible] hat—it is worth $25—[illegible] an ounce. This new [illegible] that weighs four [illegible] run from two to [illegible]

"[illegible] to the weight [illegible] ration in the [illegible] a light hat is a [illegible], and its injurious [illegible] is reduced to a [illegible]."—Bulletin.

[illegible] Cocktail.

"[illegible] cocktail," said [illegible] stage counter, [illegible] a bottle of sarsaparilla [illegible] a few drops [illegible] it and then poured [illegible]. The man drank it [illegible] and walked out [illegible] and water instead [illegible]rs, we have quite a [illegible] of cocktails," said the [illegible] system is a little [illegible] of castor oil [illegible] it is the cook [illegible] wouldn't know there [illegible] drug in it. If you're [illegible] ointment you will rec[illegible] of the cocktail."—[illegible]

The Hotel Brusher.

The position of brusher in the barber shop of a large hotel in New York is worth at least $30 a week if a young man attends to his business. Hotel patrons are liberal tippers. The brusher is expected to find seats for customers if the barbers' chairs are filled and to hand around the morning and illustrated papers. The boss barber pays them no salary. Permission to work in the shop is considered sufficient compensation. The hours are long, and in most cases brushers are allowed a boy as an assistant.

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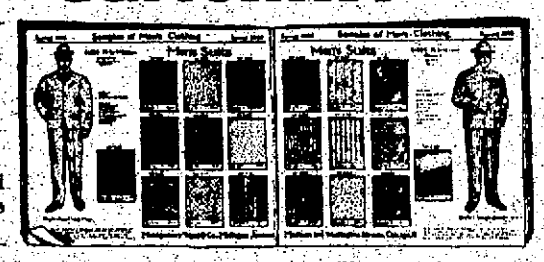

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Smethport, Thursday, March 30, 1905.

Announcement.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER.

EDITOR MINER:—I hereby announce myself as a candidate for the position of County Commissioner of McKean County, subject to the decision of the Democratic party at the primaries. W. P. WATSON.

Smethport, Pa., March 14, 1905

Republican Ticket.

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FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONERS,
GEORGE GRIFFITHS,
J. A. PETERSON.

FOR COUNTY AUDITORS,
OSCAR ENGSTROM,
C. W. FREEMAN.

THE House Committee on appropriations has reported favorably on appropriations amounting to $43,450 for the Bradford hospital and $11,000 for the Kane hospital.

AT Warsaw, Russia, Baron Von Molken, chief of police, was severely injured Saturday evening from the explosion of a bomb thrown into his carriage. Another bomb was thrown into a room of a police station injuring seven men.

SOME writers on the Panama canal doubt if it will be necessary even to build tidal locks on the Pacific side, their position being that the water will find its own level without difficulty. It is gratifying to know that the sea level plan grows stronger as the investigation proceeds.

ANOTHER get-rich-quick concern is being investigated with the usual result. It is known as the Provident Investment Bureau, and it has been the means of fleecing comparatively poor people out of hundreds of thousands of dollars. Will the American people ever learn to leave these schemes alone?

JULES VERNE the king of romancers, died at his home in Amemo, France, on Friday last. He was 77 years of age. He commenced writing when he was twelve years of age, and 84 of his novels have been published. He wrote far in advance of his publisher and many of his manuscripts are yet to be published.

IF he wants the job at a salary of $100,000 a year, Horace G. Burt, formerly president of the Union Pacific R. R., now traveling in Europe, may be placed in charge of the construction work of the Panama canal. It is stated that Mr. Burr has been approached several times on the subject, at the instigation of President Roosevelt.

A CHICAGO professor sums up creation in this fashion: "Life originally happened. Life is made up of certain organic compounds. The compounds came together in some manner, and the result was life." But where did the compounds come from, and how did they happen to happen in a progressive way instead of happening not to happen?

GOV. PENNYPACKER has signed the bill which prohibits the sale or use of high explosives in fireworks, fire crackers, canes, cannon crackers and other devices of tumult and danger which in late years have rendered the noise feature of Independence day an intolerable nuisance. The deaths by lockjaw attributed to the Fourth of July accidents have been greatly increased since ammunition containing chlorate of potash has been generally in use. But it can be legally used no more in the explosive things above named. The legislators and the governor are being highly commended throughout the State for their action in the matter.

Washington Letter.

(From Our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON D. C., March 25, 1905

The inaugural ceremonies held on the fourth of March have claimed another distinguished victim in Don Manuel de Azpiroz, the Mexican Ambassador to this country. While on the East front of the Capitol during the Inauguration the Ambassador was taken with a severe chill and to-day he died. The doctors in attendance from the first held out no hope of recovery and his government has been notified. Senator Bates of Tennessee died in a few days after the Inauguration as a result of exposure on that inclement day, and the prostration of Secretary of State Hay is attributed to the same cause. A number of prominent men, among them Senator Foster of Louisiana experienced severe and continuing attacks of grippe after Inauguration day and the number of less conspicuous victims of the exposure will never be known. The sacrifice of lives on this occasion should at least have the benefit of preventing another inauguration as early in the season as the fourth of March. In the times of war men may die gladly for their country but it is criminal to claim martyrs in times of peace and rejoicing. Congress should be compelled by the people at no matter what cost to its indolence to change the date to April thirteenth, the date upon which Washington took the oath of office and which could almost with certainty be counted upon to produce weather which would offer no menace to the health and lives of the great crowds who are subject to exposure that day.

Ambassador Azpiroz was the first Ambassador from Mexico to serve as such. Until 1899 the country had been represented here by a minister plenipotentiary but during that year Senor Romero, then Minister from Mexico, appealed to his government to raise the rank of legislation to that of an embassy in order that he might properly look after the interests of his country.

At one time he had by virtue of seniority been dean of the Diplomatic corps but gradually he was displaced by Ambassadors who by virtue of higher rank took precedence over him. For this reason he was frequently and annoyingly made to wait for interviews at the State Department and at the White House until a whole line of men of whom he had previously held precedence had finished. Finally exasperated he called upon his government for a change and when it was finally granted he was on his death bed and Azpiroz succeeded to the title and the honors. An Ambassador is not only the Representative of his country, but also the Representative of his sovereign, and as it were, a member of the royal family of his country. On account of this diplomatic fiction a number of embarrassing incidents have occured in Washington touching the relations of the Austrian and Mexican Ambassadors.

Senor Azpiroz is held by the Austrian government as one of those responsible for the execution of Maximilian and the pathetic insanity of poor Carlotta and is therefore not recognized by the Representative of the Austrian Sovereign, Ambassador Hengelmuller. On various occasions this has been overlooked in the entertainment of the two Ambassadors and various members of the two families have been assigned to each other as partners or dinner companions necessitating a hurried readjustment at the last moment and considerable embarrassment to every one concerned.

The plot thickens at Santo Domingo. With the failure of the Santo Domingan treaty in the Senate, the Belgian government considers that it is lost and that it is now a time for each country to grab what it can to protect itself from losses. As a fact though the State Department has not given up all hope of the treaty and it will probably be pressed at the next session of Congress. During the summer an investigation of conditions in Santo Domingo will be made and as much information as possible collected for the guidance of Congress next fall. The work is in charge of Professor Hollander who was at one time Secretary of the Treasury of Porto Rico and he will make a personal visit to the Island for the purpose of supplying this government with information concerning the financial condition of the country.

It is said that the President feels the embarrassment to the Administration by the failure of the Senate to ratify the treaty. While the situation in Venezuela is not strained it is believed that the postponement of action on the Santo Domingo treaty has influenced President Castro to regard the United States government as divided in its own household and incompetent to meet any situations which involve the Monroe Doctrine. The President is said to have acknowledged that he feels his hands would be tied if this government were to be called upon to take action in the affairs of Venezuela. The disposition manifested by Castro at this time is to prefer European creditors to American and the government is taking steps to settle those debts to the exclusion of payments to American creditors. The President is of the opinion that Castro and the Venezuelan government considers itself free to do so believing that by the failure of the Senate to uphold the Administration this government would be important to settle conditions affecting the interests and rights of Americans in the Carribbean sea region.

Vice President Fairbanks, it is said has been considerably perturbed by the appointment of his fellow townsman to the vice chairmanship of the the Republican National Committee. He and Mr. New are not the best of friends and Mr. Fairbanks doubtless thinks that the appointment is prejudicial to his presidential aspirations. Governor LaFollotte of Wisconsin on the other hand is not at all agitated and claims to believe that the appointment of a chairman at this time can have nothing to do with the nomination of a candidate three years hence. He recalls a number of cases in which the National Committee has been opposed to nomination which were made over their heads and he recites his own and Roosevelt's experiences as distinguished examples of what can be done even when the National Committee is opposed.

Farm for Sale.

58½ acres of good fertile soil, 30 acres under cultivation, balance good pasture land; 9 room dwelling house, good cellar; 2 barns. Located ¼ mile from railroad station. For sale at a bargain. Inquire of Philip Hafner, Kasson, Pa.

OLEAN'S BIG DEP'T. STORE

BELL BROS.

OUR SPRING OPENING DAYS, 1905

Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, March 29th, 30th, 31st.

NO MATTER WHAT THE CALENDAR AND WEATHER MAN SAYS, SPRING IS HERE, AT THIS STORE.

Never before, have we been quite so ready to help you for the bright Spring and Summer days that are so near ready with a showing of all that is freshest, and best, and most modish.

On the above dates, the Millinery and Suit departments greet you, filled with new merchandise--there are tailored garments correct in every style--line cut from the materials that are to be in greatest demand. The hats form a charming show, always fascinating in their promise of prettiness, they seem doubly so, as we show them now. We've hardly time to describe in detail one-tenth of all we have to show you--too busy preparing to make your first view of the Spring fashions and fancies a pleasant one.

On the above dates the showing will be complete--we cordially invite you to come to this store and enjoy it.

BELL BROS.

The Leading Dry Goods, Carpet and Furniture House of S. W. N. Y.

Our Dress Making Dept. will be ready to resume work about April 1st.

Go to E. W. Jones

and see his line of Farm Implements, Reapers, Mowers, Binders, Hay Rakes, Hay Tedders, Binding Twine, Land Rollers, Spring Tooth Harrows, Spike Tooth Harrows and Cultivators of all kinds, Hand and Horse Garden Tools, Buckeye Grain Drills, the best side hill Plow on the market, also Cambridge flat land Plows, Lawn Swings, Wagon Jacks, Page Woven Wire Fence.

International Stock Food and Heave Cure always on hand.

Fertilizers that will stand the test.

Heavy and Light Horses bought and sold.

New and second hand Buggies, Wagons, Surreys, etc., always for sale. In fact any thing you want call and see

E. W. JONES

THE LIVERY MAN

Main Street. SMETHPORT, PA.

Opp. Court House.

ALTHOUGH OUR SPRING LINE IS COMPLETE MR. RUBIN IS IN NEW YORK CITY LOOKING AFTER THE EASTER NOVELTIES.

WE HAVE THE LATEST IN

SUITS $5 to $20.
TOP COATS $6 to $16.
RAIN COATS $12 to $18.
SUITS TO ORDER $22 to $40.

H. W. RUBIN, SMETHPORT, PENNA.

The Old Reliable Clothier, Furnisher and Merchant Tailor.

Just Received From New York City at Store of D. C. Young

Fine assortment of New Spring Dress Goods, Fancy Goods and Notions. Newest things out in Wash Goods for Ladies' Wear. Also nice lot of Ladies' Shirt Waists for every day wear, at popular prices. Also a new lot of latest styles in Ladies' Fine Shoes. Call and examine same before purchasing elsewhere At same time do not forget to take a glance at our bargain counter where you can find many things that will interest you.

D. C. YOUNG

SMETHPORT, PA.

Feb. 6, 1905.

SPRING SUITS

The latest styles in spring goods have now arrived. The assortment is complete in every detail, and one of the best ever shown in Smethport. Let me make your Easter suit and I will guarantee it to be satisfactory in every sense of the word.

G. W. SHILLENN

THE LEADING TAILOR.

By reason of fresh arrivals our stock of

TOILET SOAPS and PERFUMES

were never so complete.

It seems as if we could please even the most particular customes.

INVESTIGATE.

McCoy's Drug Store

GROCERIES

As you know we have always carried a first-class line of groceries, but perhaps you do not know that we have in our store a fancy stock of groceries, fruits and nuts for the holidays. In this stock you will find all the table delicacies usually found in a large city store.

We also have the best oysters in town and they are always fresh.

Hagberg & Sherburne.

The Lindholm Company

Brilliant Beauties of Springtime

IN OUR GRAND EASTER OPENING

Beginning with a Reception

THURSDAY EVENING, APRIL 6th,

At eight o'clock and
Continuing for One Week.

You are cordially invited and your friends likewise are sincerely welcome to see our display of the leading styles for spring and summer.

At the reception Thursday evening flowers will be given to the ladies as souvenirs.

Positively no goods will be sold that evening.

The Lindholm Company

HERE IS WHERE YOU MEET YOUR

MATCH

A THOUSAND FOR A

NICKEL

OR SIX THOUSAND FOR A

QUARTER

Come in and see a MATCHLESS MATCH BARGAIN

REDFIELD'S HARDWARE

McKean County Miner.

Entered at the postoffice at Smethport as second-class mail matter.

Smethport, Thursday, March 30, 1905.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

—Caleton is to have a new theatre.

—Andrew McCabe is quite ill at his home on Marvin street.

—Green Brothers have put a new gas engine in their grist mill.

—Maurice Barrymore, a once famous actor of America, is dead.

—Prospects are bright for a good baseball team here this summer.

—Rev. Erby will occupy the pulpit at the Baptist church on Sunday next.

—The new advertisement of A. E. Foster & Co. will be interesting to our readers.

—A. E. Foster has purchased a new Oliver typewriter from the local agent, S. H. Cleveland.

—Ben Crabtree of Bradford was lodged in jail yesterday to await trial on the charge of assault and battery upon his wife.

—The awning in front of the D. C. Young store, which was broken down by a heavy fall of snow this winter, has been replaced.

—A new millinery advertisement for Mrs. A. E. Hinman will be found in this issue. Read what she is offering to the spring trade.

—The advertisement of Bell Brothers, Olean, appears in this issue. The popular firm has one of their famous spring openings this week.

—One graduate has gone to Ind. Ter. one to Alaska and one now attending school has been offered $13.50 per week all from Warner's Business College, Bradford.

—The saw mill at Mina made a record one day last week cutting 130,000 feet of lumber, which is the most lumber cut in one day since this company has owned the plant.—Roulette Recorder.

—Maurice Sartwell died at Middleport, N. Y., last week aged 82 years. He spent a number of years of his youth in Smethport and was a cousin of George and Roswell Sartwell of this borough.

—At St. Luke's church on next Sunday the services will be at 8:00 and 10:30 a. m. and at 7:30 p. m. The lessons for the day (Fourth Sunday in Lent) will be on "The Bread of Life" and, "The Plot against Daniel."

—The new Trade Mark Registration Law will go into effect on April 1st. Users of Trade Marks can get a copy of the law by sending a postage stamp to C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of Patents and Trade Marks, Washington, D. C.

—The Edinboro Normal catalog giving courses of study is sent upon request. Spring term begins March, 28th. John F. Bigler, Prin.

—A number of young people gave a social dance at the hose house last Saturday evening. It was well attended and all had a very pleasant time.

—An enlarged advertisement appears in the space of Fry & Comes this week. This enterprising firm has many good things to offer their customers at this time.

—The residence of John O. Perry in Bloomster hollow was completely destroyed by fire early last Friday evening. There was no one at home at the time but neighbors, who discovered the fire succeeded in saving part of the furniture. The loss is fully $2,000 on which there was $800 insurance.

—Mrs. Cassie L. Chadwick has been sentenced to 10 years in the Ohio state penitentiary. Mrs. Chadwick was convicted on seven counts. For four of these counts a sentence of two years each was imposed. Upon two counts a sentence of one year was imposed, making a total sentence of 10 years. Her attorneys have taken an appeal.

—C. A. Strong left on Monday for Empire, a lumber town just south of Ridgway. Mr. Strong practically owns the town and with a force of men will proceed as rapidly as possible to demolish the 25 or 30 houses it contains for the purpose of getting the lumber. Some of the timber will be brought to Kane and sold and some will probably go to other towns.—Kane Leader.

—According to the statement of a director of the Pittsburg, Shawmut & Northern Railroad company, there is a possibility that Canandaigua will secure the construction through this village of the line of the Shawmut that is at some not far distant day to be extended from its present terminus in Steuben county through this section enroute to the shores of Lake Ontario.—Friendship Register.

—Lilah, the three-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. J. Dickson of Bradford, while playing on the banks of the West Branch creek, near her home, accidentally slipped and fell into the stream, about 5:15 o'clock yesterday afternoon and was drowned. The little child, in company with Howard Wilson, aged 12 years, was throwing small bits of wood into the stream and Lilah fell. The body has not been recovered.

—Charles Turner, aged 30 years, sentenced from Potter county to the Allegheny penitentiary for one year and one month for larceny, was murdered in that institution Tuesday by Paul Kruger of Allegheny county, who is serving a five year and six months sentence for felony. The men were "trusties," employed in the bake shop. Turner playfully threw flour in Kruger's bread trough. Hot words followed and Kruger plunged a knife into Turner's stomach. The latter fell unconscious, death resulting within thirty minutes.

—The recital given by the pupils of Mrs. H. C. Wells, assisted by Miss Lucile M. Hinman, vocalist, at the Smethport Lyceum last Saturday afternoon was in every way a success. About 200 people were in attendance and heard the entire program of 25 numbers carried out. The singing of Miss Hinman was much appreciated and every pupil of Mrs. Wells rendered his or her part with entire satisfaction. Mrs. Wells may well feel proud of her large class for their work last Saturday showed careful and able training.

Baseball for Smethport.

A number of baseball fans met at the Grand Central Hotel Monday evening and decided to have a team here this season. Committees were named to solicit funds and make other arrangements for a team here to enter the McKean League and defend the title of pennant winners, which honor we won last season.

At Eldred Wednesday a meeting of the McKean League was held, representatives from Smethport, Derrick City and Eldred being present. It was decided to continue the rules in force last season with the exception that each club will be allowed the privilege of using two unregistered players in any league game. It was proposed to invite Roulette, Shingle House, Portville, Bolivar, Port Allegany and Mt. Jewett to enter the association, making the league of about a six club membership. A balance of nearly $35 remaining over from last season was voted to apply on the initiation fees of the clubs of last year joining this year. This fee was left the same as last season, $10. Twenty home games during the season for each team was deemed about right. Another meeting will be held next month for the concluding of the business and adopt a schedule.

Notice.

With the close of the day's business Saturday, April 1st, traffic and service at the Smethport station of the B., B. & K. R. R. will be permanently suspended.

Commencing Monday, April 3d, traffic for points on or reached via the B., B. & K. R. R. will be handled between Smethport and McKeans by the Kushequa Route.

Under this arrangement passengers going from Smethport, destined to B., B. & K. R. R. points, and passengers coming from B., B. & K. R. points destined to Smethport will change cars at McKeans instead of at Ormsby, as heretofore.

Improved freight and passenger service will be maintained on the main line of the B., B. & K. R. R. between Bradford and Kane, all trains making close connections with the Kushequa Route at McKeans.

How to go to California.

Travel via the Chicago, Union Pacific & Northwestern Line. Two fast through trains per day. The Overland Limited, electric lighted, less than three days en route. The California Express through service to San Francisco, Los Angeles and Portland. The best of everything. Full particulars on application to W. B. Kniskern, P. T. M. C. & N. W. Ry., Chicago.

Another Opportunity

To visit California and the North Pacific Coast at greatly reduced rates. Only $30 from St. Louis. Tickets on sale every day from March 1st to May 15th. Choice of two routes, elegant equipment, and fast time. Rates, timetables and full information furnished upon application to Jno. R. James, Central Passenger Agent, Mo. Pa. Ry., 315 Bessemer Bldg. Pittsburg, Pa.

Notice to Dog Owners.

On and after April 1, 1905 all dogs and bitches found within the limits of the borough of Smethport, County of McKean and State of Pennsylvania, not wearing tags will be seized and dealt with according to law. The said tags can be procured from the Burgess at $1.00 each.

Notice to Advertisers.

All advertisers should remember that changes of advertisements must reach this office not later than 1 p. m. on Tuesday in order to appear in the following issue of the MINER. We must strictly enforce this rule so it would be well to paste this where the "ad man" can see it.

Barred Plymouth Rock Eggs for Hatching.

Winners the last 3 years at Olean, N. Y., shows. Pens headed by nice sized males and pullets that are bred for egg production. Per setting $1.50.

Carl and R. C. Sisse.

I am offering for sale pure ground buckwheat flour made at Eldred mills from buckwheat raised on my own farms; also pure maple syrup, at $1.00 per gallon, in one gallon cans, made in sugar bush of A. G. Abbey. D. C. Young, Smethport, Pa.

Sheep for Sale.

Fountagnes flock, 54 Lincoln Longwool ewes and ram. Zellahill flock, 90 Shropshire ewes and ram. May be seen at my farm near Kushequa. Apply to Elisha K. Kane, Kushequa, Pa.

For Sale or Rent.

25 acre Farm with good buildings, 1 mile from Smethport. Fine place for Poultry raising and gardening. Enquire of S. H. Cleveland. Hamlin Hardware Store, Smethport, Pa.

For Sale.

Desirable lot, 82x115 feet, on Main street, between Dr. Brown's office and J. W. Pickersgill's. Inquire of JOHN BERGQUIST, Hazelhurst, Pa.

For Sale.

One second-hand Incubator also White Minorca and Pekin Ducks eggs for hatching. C. H. Gleason.

J. C. Hamlin is sole agent for Spalding's Official League base ball and athletic goods. Complete stock always on hand.

Subscribe for the MINER.

Personal Mention.

S. C. Hartzog spent Sunday in Bradford.

Alex. Peterson was a visitor in Kane Tuesday.

Mrs. D. M. Sheehan visited Olean on Tuesday.

Will Fry of Hazelhurst was in town yesterday.

Mrs. Mary Bisett visited Bradford yesterday.

H. H. Redfield is in Buffalo on business this week.

Hon. T. F. Richmond is in Philadelphia this week.

Paul Green of Bradford is visiting his parents this week.

Miss Pearl Mays is visiting Bradford friends this week.

Kenneth Mayo was down from Hazelhurst on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Ness were Olean visitors Monday.

Paul Barrett of Bradford was the guest of Bevier Eckert this week.

Mark Pomeroy of Port Allegany visited Smethport friends over Sunday.

Mrs. A. N. Crandall of Coudersport visited Mrs. Charles Lemmler last week.

Mrs. Charles McKean and Mrs. James McGuire are visiting in Buffalo this week.

Miss Bessie King of Port Allegany was the guest of the Misses Rubin over Sunday.

Mrs. Lawrence Hopper and daughter, Miss Eva, were visitors in Olean on Tuesday.

H. W. Rubin is in New York City this week purchasing goods for spring and summer trade.

T. H. Purtle arrived in town from Washington, D. C., last Friday for a brief visit with his family.

Mrs. Blake of Eldred visited her daughters, Mrs. J. C. Buckus and Miss Bessie, during the week.

Mrs. J. K. Light and little daughter Ruth of Lock Haven are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Shittler.

Attorney D. S. Hulmer of Port Allegany had business in town Monday and favored this office with a pleasant call.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Powell and son, Jack, arrived in town Monday night from Fredonia, Kansas, and are guests of friends and relatives.

Editor C. O. Laymon of the Port Allegany Reporter, attended the meeting of the county committee Tuesday and made this office a pleasant call.

See special bargains at The Lindholm Company's Easter opening, for one week, commencing Thursday evening, April 6.

There is only one medicinal whiskey sold in Smethport. Ask for O. F. C. at Hotel Imperial.

We sell those labor and time saving bread makers. Holmes & Gilfillan.

This Store Overflows With New, Fresh, Timely Merchandise.

Never have we been quite so well prepared to smooth the path of the tired or puzzled shopper.

As we said, this store is brimful of wanted merchandise.

New fabrics in great variety are arriving daily. The Dress Goods Department holds fresh weaves and fabrics—the silks are abloom with the new season's colorings.

The woman who needs a ready-to-wear skirt or waist will find a more satisfying assortment than ever before.

All the spring styles of Hosiery—some for women, some for men and some for children. Gloves, Neckwear and Ribbons in such a pleasing array—a regular fashion mecca for these little accessories.

For rainy days—Umbrellas in black and colors and at all prices—in the umbrella headquarters. Then we have new things for the men—new Monarch Shirts and the Arrow Brand Collars to use with them; also the smart "I Should Smile Cravats." Oh we are haberdashers, too.

EVERYBODY COME.

We emphasize especially just two items. All over the store you will find much of interest.

SKIRTS

Mohairs and Panamas have been employed to exceptional advantage in the new walking and dress skirts for spring and summer wear. There's a striking combination of the latest style points and exceptional value which you will readily appreciate. Prices $3.50 to $7.50.

DRESS GOODS

We were very fortunate in getting a few pieces from a lot of fancy Black Voiles that were made for a merchant who failed before the shipment was delivered. They're just the sort of goods that fashion sanctions. 48 inches wide, positively worth $1.00. We sell as we buy. Friday and Saturday per yd. 65c.

FRY & COMES.

Walk-Over

Shoes for Men.

Don't pay $5.00 for a pair of shoes when you can buy a pair of WALK-OVERS for $3.50 and $4.00. Style and quality are the features that should interest you. Paying more for it doesn't make the article any better. We want men who have been paying $5.00 for their shoes to come in and see our line of WALK-OVERS. You'll find the only difference is in the price. The saving is worth consideration.

WM. MONHEIMER.

SMETHPORT.

HAVE YOU BEEN THINKING?

SPRING IS HERE.

Will You Need Any Tools or Material

to repair your buildings or to build new ones or is your dairy supplied with the best of dairy supplies?

We can supply you with any of these goods in quality and quantity and save money.

HOLMES & GILFILLAN

THE GREAT SUPPLY HOUSE

DOUBLE STORE IN HAMILTON BLOCK

F-768

RAILROAD WATCHES

We make a specialty of railroad watches. He uses a special movement containing 21 jewels, one that runs with wonderful accuracy and is built to stand the wear and tear, smash and slam of the railroad business.

KERR

Main St. - Smethport

Wedding Gifts

All the latest up-to-date goods, Cut Glass, Sterling Silver, Bronzes and Novelties.

7 MAIN STREET **PRILL** BRADFORD, PA.

TELEPHONIC ROMANCE

By AMY DUPREE

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"Two hundred thirty-four J don't answer," said central, ringing off, but before she could lean back for an instant's breathing spell 719 M called her up again.

"Central, why can't I get my house?"

"I'm sure I don't know," she answered, with a suspicion of laughter in her voice.

"I'll bet those confounded servants are gossiping down in the basement. Ring 'em again, and ring 'em like thunder."

Central obeyed his orders energetically, but without results.

"I can't get any answer," she said gently to the irate man at the other end of the line, "but I'll try them again in a few minutes, and if I get an answer I'll call you up. No, I won't forget," she said, almost before the man had uttered his warning. "I know you call the house every morning from your office."

"Thank you," said the man, much mollified. "Those servants are so careless, and my niece, who looks after the children, is confined to her room by illness."

Circleville's telephone system was not very complicated. The three girls who presided in the central office were not kept overpaid as in a larger city because this was a new institution in the pretty inland city and subscribers were not coming in fast enough to satisfy the telephone company. Only one of the girls hailed from Circleville. The other two were from Chicago, and it was Margaret Baxter, one of the Chicago girls, who had answered Mr. Dickson's imperative calls.

For the next few minutes she was kept busy plugging in and out on her board. But all the time a queer little smile hovered about her lips and a light almost tender shone in her eyes.

"It would be very funny," she said to herself, "if it should all be straightened out by telephone, and I would not be at all surprised if that is just what Jack hoped for." Then she turned suddenly and rang up 234 J.

A rather thick voice, with a distinct brogue answered this call with a sullen "Hello." Margaret's face turned grave and firm lines showed about her mouth.

"Why has no one answered the telephone?" she said rather sternly. "I have been ringing you on and off for fifteen minutes."

"Sure I've somethin' to do beside runnin' up them stairs to answer this bell. It's a wonder a woman can't eat her breakfast in peace."

Margaret connected 234 J with 719 M, sighing softly to herself, "Poor Charley and his babies at the mercy of that woman."

The conversation at the wire claimed her attention. There were reasons why she felt she had a right to listen.

"Hello, Mary, is this you?"

"Yes, sir."

"How is Master Reginald?"

"Fine, sir."

"What did he eat for his breakfast?"

"A peach, a bowl of rice and milk and five cakes."

"Now, Mary, I've told you repeatedly not to let him have hot cakes."

"Then, sir, you'll have to stay at home and keep him from it. It's a cook I am and no nurse."

"Well, well," said the man anxiously, as one who realized he was in a predicament and needed the good will of every one. "I'm sure while Miss Ellen is sick you will look after the children, and I will not forget it when I pay you next week."

This bit of diplomacy elicited no reply from the other end of the wire.

"Has Miss Bessie gone to school?"

"She has not. Sure the string's off her hood and one of her rubbers is lost entirely, and I told her she'd best stay home till her Aunt Ellen could get about."

"Dear, dear," said the man, and a prodigious sigh seemed to choke his utterance.

"Is that all, sir?" said the woman impatiently.

"I guess so," he replied reluctantly and hung up his receiver.

At her end of the wire the woman slammed up the receiver with a crash which made central flush just a bit angrily. Clump, clump, clump, she went down the basement stairway to meet a look of inquiry on the face of her husband, gardener and man of all work for Henry Dickson, president of the Excelsior Hardware company.

"Sure, it's the same old thing," she said snappishly as she tossed the soap into the dish pan. "Frettin' his soul out about those two children. It's no place for me and you, Tim. Either the old man or the young un ought to marry. What with church and parties and a fly he might nature into the bargain, Miss Ellen's no good at all, at all. When she's in the house she's in bed, and when she's not in bed she's out of the house."

Tim shook his head and marched out to the stable, and Mary turned to face a shrinking little figure in the doorway.

"I want to sit behind the stove, Mary. There's no fire in the library, and I'm cold all over."

"I'll bet the young un's goin' to be sick," said Mary as she made room for the child on the wood box behind the stove. "She ought to had on her warm flannels last week. Sit there, dear, whilst I tell you about the fairies Paddy O'Glyn met on his way to Donegal fair."

The man at the other end of the line had been leaning back in a chair, staring up at the ceiling. Finally he called his stenographer and dictated a letter. It was addressed to Charles Dickson and wound up as follows:

"While you're in Chicago I wish you would stop in to see your aunt Mary Graves. Things are not going right at the house, I fear. Ellen is too frivolous and fond of society to do what is entirely right by us and the children. Your aunt Mary is a capable woman and would pull things together in less than no time."

But even with the letter started on its way Mr. Dickson felt uneasy. Aunt Mary was capable, but was she sympathetic enough to deal with those children? He recalled the gentle ways and the fair face of the dead daughter-in-law. He wished somehow Aunt Mary would wave her hair about her face and smile once in awhile. But she was better than the more uncertain element he had dreaded—a stepmother for his beloved grandchildren.

And all the time Margaret Baxter sat in front of the switchboard, plugging the jacks and thinking. Just before he closed up his desk to go home Mr. Dickson was surprised to catch her voice with a new, almost friendly accent.

"Is this Mr. Dickson?"

"Yes."

"Shall I call Mary and tell her to have the children come down to meet you?"

Mr. Dickson lived some distance beyond the street car terminus, and Tim always drove down in the runabout to meet him. It never struck him as odd that the telephone girl knew of his daily habit. Perhaps she lived in the neighborhood. He answered in a relieved tone:

"Yes; I'd forgotten to call her."

"And if you didn't call her she wouldn't remember, would she?"

"No, no!" agreed the man; "these servants are a great trial." Then as central rang off he murmured to himself: "There's a girl who will make a fine business woman some day. I would not mind having her in my office."

And, though he could never tell just how it happened, from that time on it was central who had the trying conversation with Mary until Miss Ellen got about, and after that with Miss Ellen herself, merely giving him a condensed report of the conversation. This saved his time, which was valuable, and it pleased his fancy that some one appreciated his absorbing interest in the children.

That was why he had a bouquet of flowers sent up to the telephone exchange one day and a box of candy another. Several times he was tempted to call in person, but he finally decided that seeing the girl face to face might prove a disillusion. Faces and voices do not always harmonize, and yet the thought of the great relief it was to receive messages from central instead of frate Mary or butterfly Ellen. He felt sure that this particular voice stood for a face fair and womanly. Then he would recall a recent letter from his son, Aunt Mary would come for—a consideration.

But finally an inspiration came to him. Reggie was having a birthday. Ellen, with characteristic heedlessness, had forgotten this important event and had arranged to join a house party for the very night. But this should not stand in the way of a proper observance of the occasion. Reggie should have a birthday spree, and the guest of honor should be this central girl, with whom the two children had held many little talks across the wire.

She accepted the invitation sent in Reggie's name. She rode out in the runabout driven by the suspicious Tim, who had made unpleasant remarks to his wife about old fools and pretty girls. And she finally entered the door opened by Mr. Dickson himself.

He gave a sigh of relief, which was drowned in the tumultuous greetings of the children. She was just what he had dreamed of, but what he had not dared to hope for. They had a merry evening, and when the two children were sitting down, one on either side of her, to hear what Reggie described as corking goblin stories, the sound of a hitchkey fell upon Mr. Dickson's ear.

He rose uncertainly, so did Margaret Baxter, and so did the two children. And that was the scene upon which entered Charles Dickson, general representative for the Excelsior Hardware company, just returned from a hard trip on the road. He looked at his father, who flushed. He looked at Margaret Baxter, who smiled. He looked at the two children, who shrieked simultaneously and made a rush at him.

When he had escaped from their embraces his father started to make the necessary introduction, but the younger man waved him aside.

"I have known Margaret for some time—in fact, long before you knew her. When the children have finished their frolic and gone to bed I—well, we will explain this matter to you."

Mr. Dickson, Sr., looked from his son's dancing eyes to Margaret Baxter's flushed face and remarked dryly:

"It won't be necessary. And while Miss Baxter is finishing that goblin story you had better telegraph to Aunt Mary. Tell her she need not come. We've changed our minds."

Sleeping Time.

A New York physician gives the following as his ideas of the pace that kills:

"Every man that does not take at least eight hours' sleep out of every twenty-four is robbing himself of just that much vital energy. The men who in the future will live to be 100 years old will take more than eight hours' sleep every day of their lives. Man cannot burn the candle at both ends because nature will not permit him to do it."

What Shall We Have for Dessert?

The question arises in the family every day. Let us answer it to-day. Try Jell-O, a delicious and healthful dessert. Prepared in two minutes. No boiling! no baking! simply add boiling water and set to cool. Flavors:—Lemon, Orange, Raspberry and Strawberry. Get a package at your grocers to-day.

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EVERYBODY WANTS A TIP.

Experience of an American Woman While Visiting Venice.

One of the things that most astonish you with regard to the working class Italian is the perfect frankness with which he shows his desire for a tip. No false modesty obscures it. You may sometimes fear that you will forget it. Let such fears forever rest. He won't let you. He will follow you, asking you if you have your parasol when he sees it in your hand or if you know the way out when he has just told it to you. The whole poor population of Venice is absolutely naif in its exhibition of a desire for any small sum of money the passerby may throw it. The children, one and all, make a demand for a soldino as a matter of course. It is a sort of greeting to every foreigner casually as a phrase of general usage.

Coming from the bath you fee the girl who has charge of the bathhouses. If you don't she has a dozen ways of making herself disagreeable next time you come. And do not allay your troubled anticipations by the thought she may not recognize you. One glimpse of a face fixes it in her memory for months. After that you fee the woman who takes care of your purse and jewelry. If you fee her enough she drags out from some inner recess a cheap mirror which distorts your countenance and allows you to look into it and see how truly hideous the human visage can be made to appear. Before the bath you have to fee the old woman who gives you your bathing suit. If you neglect her the next time you come she will give you a suit that doesn't fit you or is full of holes.

When you go out on the terrasse for a black coffee, which costs 10 cents, you fee the waiter. When you get into your gondola you fee the old man who draws it close to the steps with a hooked stick and offers you his withered old arm to lean on. When you get out of your gondola at the hotel you fee another old man with a hooked stick and a withered arm. And then at dinner, if you haven't just fced the waiter he will be cross, and up in your room afterward—if the femme de chambre has not recently had a tip she will refuse to answer the bell.—San Francisco Argonaut.

WISDOM'S WHISPERS.

It's lucky we don't know how unlucky we may be.

It is difficult to take a woman by surprise in a love affair.

Some people are cranks simply because you can't turn them.

Some men secure all the glory attached to whatever part they assume.

A woman may know very little and yet have a way that carries conviction.

The want of refinement in a man cannot be corrected by the gloss of set phrases.

Some men take on an air of consequence to conceal the weakness of their position.

When a man can hide his thoughts in a smile he holds a powerful weapon of defense.—Philadelphia Bulletin.

Where He Made His Money.

Years ago a gentleman settled in the south of England and became very popular in the neighborhood. The county families could never discover how he had made his money, but were satisfied by his solemn assurance that it was not in trade. Nothing could exceed the ordinary gravity of his demeanor, which, indeed, caused him to be placed on the commission of peace, but now and then, without any apparent provocation, he would burst into such a laugh as no one ever heard before except in one place.

Where they could have heard it puzzled the county families for five and twenty years, but at last he was betrayed unconsciously by his own grandchild, who after a visit to a traveling circus innocently exclaimed, "Why, grandpa laughs just like the clown!"—James Payn.

Horses In the Time of Homer.

The horses used in Homer's time were war horses. The warriors were drawn in chariots. The art of riding was known, but it is alluded to as something unusual. Ulysses at the time of his shipwreck "bestrode a plank, like a horseman on a big steed." There are reasons for believing that the practice of riding was much later than that of driving, and the myth of the centaur, where, according to Shakespeare, "man is incorpsed and demingured with the beast," probably originated at an early period when the appearance of a man on horseback was a novel sight.

A Snub For Moliere.

A remarkable incident is reported for a suburban theater in Paris. The play was "Tartuffe," and at the end of the fourth act the manager of the company came in front of the curtain and said, "Ladies and gentlemen, we shall not go any further with this piece for the fifth act is unworthy of Moliere." How the audience took this announcement is not stated. Perhaps they went home and read the fifth act critically in the seclusion of the library.

Then He Sulked.

"Mrs. Guschley remarked to me that it must be pleasant to be married to a clever man," said Proudley's wife.

"And what did you say?" queried Proudley.

"I told her, of course, that I didn't know; that I had only been married once."

Doubting Dennis.

Judy—Will ye give me yer promise, Dennis, that ye'll love me forever? Dennis—Sure, an' Oi'd like to do that same, Judy. But Oi'm hardly of the opinion that Oi'll last as long as that.—New York Times.

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WHY TRAVEL ABROAD?

An American Should Give His First Study to His Home Land.

When Payne wrote "There's No Place Like Home," he gave poetic expression to the love he bore toward the little nook more precious than "temples or palaces." What flowers of rhetoric could approach in power of assertion these five little monosyllable words, "There's No Place Like Home"—to gainsay which were impossible!

It is the great privilege of Americans to be able without hyperbole to apply them to travel, for what is there in any part of the habitable globe more fraught with interest, instruction, education, refreshment of mind and body and uplifting of soul than nature has provided, with hand so lavish, for the delectation of those having the good fortune to dwell in this goodly land?

Would he see a Riviera? We have several on the shores of the azure waters both of the gulf and the Pacific, far distancing that laved by the Mediterranean.

Does he pine for snow capped mountains? Let him repair to the plains whence Pike's Peak, Mount Logan and our other great elevations rear their hoary summits into cloudland.

Would he witness a majestic cataract? There is but one without a rival, the imperial Niagara—in the chain of our great lakes, most turbulent of links.

Neither Nile, Niger nor Ganges, great rivers though they are, are comparable to our own Mississippi, well named "The Father of Waters." Our peerless Hudson excels in picturesque effects the vaunted Rhine.

What of the beauties of the Golden Gate, on whose shores sits enthroned queenly San Francisco, pronounced peerless among cities by a much traveled European prince of imperial blood?

Where is there, even in miniature, anything to vie with that earthly paradise, the valley of the Yosemite; what to compare with the deep and rugged gorge through which passes to the sea the impetuous Colorado river?

The Mammoth Cave of Kentucky, one of the world's wonders, is as yet but partially explored.

Why, then, travel abroad, while all these and vastly more than can be enumerated remain unseen at home?

"Are not Abana and Pharpar, rivers of Damascus, better than all the waters of Israel?" said Naaman the Syrian of old when ordered by the prophet to betake himself to the Jordan for healing. Who can help admiring his pride of country and robust patriotism? Most worthy are they of emulation.

Be it for health or recreation, there is no grander travel field than that we have at home.—Travel.

The Rainy Day.

A well known artist recently received a letter from a chap who has regularly made it a practice to borrow money of him. In this letter the chap who is always in financial difficulties surprised his correspondent by saying:

"This time I have decided to reverse the usual order of things, and, instead of borrowing from you, I inclose herewith $50, which I am going to ask that you will lay aside for me for a rainy day."

But the artist couldn't find any remittance in the letter. He searched for it on the floor, under the table—in fact, everywhere he thought he might have dropped it. Then quite accidentally he turned over the sheet on which the letter was written and discovered this postscript:

"I've just looked out of the window and find it's raining like the very deuce!"—Collier's.

A Story of Sir Robert Ball.

Sir Robert Ball, the noted British astronomer, on one occasion went to a remote town in Ireland to lecture on his favorite topic. Arriving at the station, he looked for the expected conveyance, but found none. After all the other passengers had disappeared a man stepped up and said, "Maybe you're Sir Robert Ball?" On receiving an affirmative reply the man hastily apologized, saying, "Sure, your honor, I'm sorry I kept you waiting, but I was tould to look for an intellectual gintleman." Sir Robert thought that under the circumstances it would be better not to inquire what was the man's idea of intellectuality.

Old Time Railway Travel.

Third class passenger coaches in England used to be coupled on next to the engine. The travelers came in for terrible treatment when any accident occurred. At times the engine was driven tender first, in which case frozen hands could be warmed at its smokestack. The passengers were packed, seventy of them, into a truck eighteen feet in length by seven and a half in width. There was no roof and not, as a rule, proper protection at the sides.

Marital Persiflage.

"I must confess," remarked Mrs. Crabbe, "I don't believe there ever was a really perfect man." "Well," replied Mr. Crabbe, "Adam would have been perfect, I suppose, if Eve had only been made first." "How do you mean?" "Well, she would have hossed the job of making Adam."—Philadelphia Press.

The Thing to Do.

Johnson—He said I was an addle pated jackass. What do you advise me to do about it? Jackson—See a good veterinary.—Leslie's Weekly.

Something Lacking.

"I can shave myself as well as any barber."

"Ah, but you can't talk to yourself while you're doing it."

Nothing raises the price of a blessing like its removal.—Moore.

SOME FOOLISH PEOPLE

Allow a cough to run until it gets beyond the reach of med cine. They often say, "Oh it will wear away," but in most cases it will wear them away. Could they be induced to try the successful medicine called Kemp's Balsam, which is sold on a positive guarantee to cure, they would immediately see the excellent effect after taking the first dose. Price, 25c and 50c. Trial size free At all druggists.

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Episcopal—J. Heber McCandless, Rector. Services every Sunday at 10:30 a. m. and 7:45 p. m. Additional service at 8 a. m. except on first Sunday of each month. Sunday School at 9:30 a. m.

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St. Elizabeth Catholic Church.—Rev. P. Cosgrove, Pastor. Mass at 11 a. m. Service at 11:30 a. m. Sunday School at 3 p. m. Services on each Sunday.

First Baptist Church.—P. S. Calvin, Pastor. Preaching each Sunday at 11:00 a. m., and 7:30 p. m. Sunday School at 10 a. m. Junior Endeavor at 3 p. m. Senior Endeavor at 6:30 p. m. Prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7:30. Ladies' Aid Society meets each Friday afternoon in the church building. Woman's Missionary Circle meets the first Tuesday evening in each month. The pastor preaches in the East Smethport Chapel each Sunday afternoon at 2:30. All are invited. Seats free.

Pennsylvania

RAILROAD

BUFFALO AND ALLEGHENY VALLEY DIVISION

Time Table—Taking effect Nov. 27, 1904

TRAINS LEAVE SMETHPORT

For Clermont, Kidder, DuBois and Punxsutawney—

Train 122, week days ..... 10:10 a. m.

For Larabee, Port Allegany, Coudersport and points East, Olean, Buffalo and points north—

Train 124, week days ..... 4:01 p. m.

PHILADELPHIA & ERIE DIVISION TIME TABLE.

TRAINS LEAVE EMPORIUM JUNCTION EASTWARD

8:20 a. m.—Train 12, week days, for Sunbury, Williamsport, Sunbury, Harrisburg, Lewistown, Mifflin, Huntingdon, Tyrone, Altoona, Hollidaysburg, Bellwood, Hartsburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 6:23 p. m., New York 9:10 p. m., Baltimore 6:00 p. m., Washington 7:15 p. m. Pullman Parlor car from Williamsport to Philadelphia, and passenger coaches from Kane to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore and Washington.

12:25 p. m.—Train 8, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:32 p. m., New York 10:23 p. m., Baltimore 7:30 p. m., Washington 8:35 p. m. Vestibuled cars, passenger coaches, Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

4:23 p. m.—Train 6, daily, for Sunbury and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 1:23 a. m., New York 4:10 a. m., Baltimore 2:20 a. m., Washington 3:30 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Harrisburg to Philadelphia and New York. Philadelphia passengers can remain in sleeper undisturbed until 7:30 a. m.

10:35 p. m.—Train 4, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:25 a. m., New York 9:31 a. m., week days (10:25 a. m. Sundays). Baltimore 7:15 a. m., Washington 8:30 a. m. Pullman sleeping cars from Erie and Williamsport to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Washington and passenger cars from Erie to Philadelphia and Williamsport to Baltimore.

12:30 a. m.—Train 14, daily for Sunbury, Harrisburg and principal intermediate stations, arriving at Philadelphia 7:17 a. m., New York 9:33 a. m. week days, (10:35 a. m. Sundays). Sunbury and Baltimore 7:25 a. m., Washington 8:40 a. m. Vestibuled buffet sleeping cars and passenger coaches. Buffalo to Philadelphia and Washington.

WESTWARD.

5:20 a. m.—Train 9, daily, for Erie, Ridgway and week days to DuBois and intermediate stations.

10:25 a. m.—Train 3, daily for Erie and week days for DuBois and intermediate stations.

6:20 p. m.—Train 61, week days, for Kane and intermediate stations.

Weekdays.

North Bd	Stations	South Bd
Lv		Arr P M
2:25	Ridgway	11 55
2:40	Johnsonburg	11:30
2:50	Glen Hazel	11:15
2:57	Straight	11:04
3:05	Instanter	10:59
3:20	Smith's Run	10:52
3:25	Wilcoxville	10:45
3:35	Clermont	10:40
P M		A M

Connections are made with train 8, leaving Sunbury at 12:25 p. m. for Erie and intermediate points, arriving at Erie at 3:30 p. m. Ridgway with train 206, leaving Ridgway at 2:25 p. m. for DuBois, Reynoldsville and intermediate points and train 6, leaving Ridgway at 4:20 p. m. for Philadelphia, New York, Baltimore and Washington.

T. E. CHERRY, J. E. WOOD, Manager. Pass. Traffic Mgr.
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Bradford & Kane Railway.

In Effect June 19th, 1904, Eastern Standard Time.

Smethport as follows:

except Sunday for Ormsby, Minard, Duke, Aiken, Kinzua Jct., Mt. Jewett and Kane, connecting at Bradford with trains on P. R. for all points East and West and at Kane with B. & O. E. R. for Marienville, Clarion, Punxsutawney, Butler, Allegheny and Pittsburg, and with trains on P. & E. division Pennsylvania R. R.

daily except Sunday for Ormsby, Rasford, Mt. Jewett, Kane and intermediate points, connecting at Bradford with trains on Erie R. R. and at Jewett Kane and intermediate points, connecting at Bradford with trains on Erie R. R. and at Kane with P. & E. for Harrisburg Philadelphia and Washington.

daily except Sunday for Ormsby, Minard, Duke, Aiken, Kinzua Junction, Mt. Jewett, Kane, Mt. Jewett, Bradford, Kane, Mt. Jewett and Kane, Daily except Sunday, 3:40 and 5:40 p. m. Bradford 12:30 p. m.

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A. B. Campbell, Gen'l Supt. Bradford, Pa.

Olean, Bradford & Northern

Effective Jan. 15, 1905

Trains leave Smethport as follows:

7:00 a. m.—For Mt. Jewett (arr. 7:50 a. m.) connecting with B. R. & P. Ry. for Johnsonburg (arr. 6:25 a. m.); Ridgway (arr. 9:30 a. m.); DuBois (arr. 10:40 a. m.) and Punxsutawney (arr. 11:30 a. m.

connections at Mt. Jewett for Olean (arr. 10:25 a. m.) connecting with P. R. R. for Buffalo (arr. 12:35 p. m.).

12:02 p. m. for Clermont (arr. 12:30 p. m.) St. Marys (arr. 1:45 p. m.); Shawmut (arr. 4:27 p. m.) and Brockwayville (arr. 4:46 p. m.)

2:30 p. m. for Elored (arr. 2:30 p. m.); Olean (arr. 3:30 p. m.); connecting with P. R. R. for Buffalo (arr. 6:10 p. m.); Bolivar (arr. 3:27 p. m.); Friendship (arr. 4:04 p. m.); Angelica (arr. 4:32 p. m.); Hornellsville (arr. 5:55 p. m.); Wayland (arr. 7:05 p. m.), connecting with D. L. & W. for all points east.

Trains arrive at Smethport as follows:—From Mt. Jewett with connections from Kane, 7:30 p. m.—From Brockway ville, Shawmut, St. Marys and Clermont, 12:02 noon—From Hornellsville, Wayland, Angelica, Friendship, Bolivar and Olean 2:35 p. m.—From Mt. Jewett with connections from B. R. & P. 7:32 p. m.—From Olean and Elored

All trains daily except Sunday.

A. M. LANE, General Supt. St. Marys, Pa.
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OLDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY

Railroad Time Table, taking effect Monday, March 18, 1901.

Ar. Eastward			STATIONS.	Lv Westward		
A M	A M	P M		Ar	Dp A M.	P.M. A.M.
8:55	7:35	2:10	Ulysses	7.20	4.25	9.10
8:50	9.53	2.10	Criswell	7.27	4.32	9.18
8:46	9	1.57	Carpenter	9	4.34	9
8:40	9.38	1.53	Perkins	7.32	4.3	9.20
8:37	9.45	1.50	New'nd June	7.35	4.40	9.32
8	0	1.45	Newfield	7.41	4.46	0
8:25	9.36	1.41	Gold	7.44	4.49	9.47
8:20	9.30	1.35	Raymond	7.49	4.43	9.5
8:15	9.21	1.26	Seven Bdg's	8.01	5.06	10.02
8:10	9.17	1.20	Colesburg	8.04	5.09	10.10
8:05	9.10	1.14	Brinks	8.12	5.17	10.20
8	9	1.05	N. Coudsport	9	5.25	10.35
10	9.00	1.00	Dp.	Ar. 8.25	5.30	10.45
M	A.M.	P.M.	Coudersport			P.M.
10	9.45	12.15	Ar.	Dp	8.28	6.01 1.24
9	9	12.13	Hammond	9	8	8
9	8.58	12.09	Olmsted	8.33	6.05	1.31
8.59	8.55	12.05	Mina	8.37	6.10	1.37
11	0	11.59	Knowlton	0	6.17	0
10	8.45	11.55	Roulette	8.47	6.21	2.51
10	8.40	11.47	Burtville	8.54	6.28	2.01
10	0	11.41	Coleman	0	6.34	0
0	0	0	Chem. Wrks	0	0	0
10	8.25	11.26	Pt. Allegany	9.08	6.40	2.27
A M	A M	P M	Dp	Ar	A.M.	P.M. P.M.

Trains do not stop.

Connections at Ulysses with N. Y. C. & H. R. at Port Allegany with W. N. Y. & P. Ry. and at Newfield Junction with B. & S. R.

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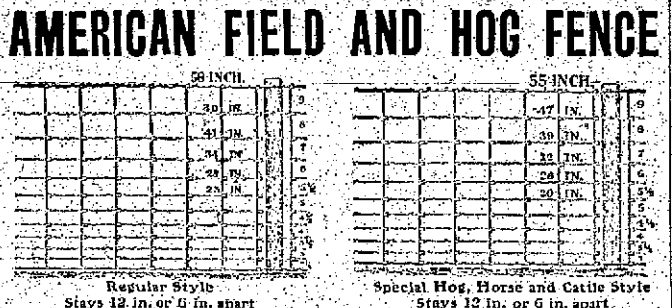

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McKean County Miner

Smethport, Thursday, March 30, 1905.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

—Gentle spring.

—Mrs. M. L. Bisett has a new advertisement in this issue.

—The auditors' report of Keating township appears in this issue.

—Read the interesting advertisement of Holmes & Gilfillan in this issue.

—H. W. Rubin gives some interesting prices in his clothing advertisement this week.

—Miss Ruth Oviatt is acting as organist at St. Luke's church in the absence of Miss Helen McCoy.

—You should not lay aside this paper without reading Monheimer's advertisement on Walk-Over shoes.

—Coudersport fishermen are making an effort to form a fish and game club. A club of that kind is a good thing in any town.

—Mrs. A. E. Hinman opens a millinery and ladies' furnishing store in Hazelhurst this week, with Miss Ella Hinman and Mrs. E. J. Nichols in charge.

—The Cross Fork News says that surveyors are at work locating roads in the Hannesly Fork tract, which will furnish 225,000,000 feet of hemlock for the Lackawanna mill at that place.

—A Rushford woman who was troubled with a chapped face, took a box of "salve" to bed with her, and in the morning discovered that she had been applying shoe blacking to her face during the night.—Ex.

—Here is a new one: When tomorrow is yesterday, to-day will be as far from the end of the week as was to-day from the beginning of the week when yesterday was tomorrow. What is to-day?

—Two women, members of the Gospel workers were doing missionary work and raising funds in town the forepart of the week. They entertained a large crowd in front of the Grand Central on Monday with musical a program.

—Richard Bess was cleaning out a small dynamite cap Tuesday to make a tip for an umbrella when it exploded tearing his right hand severely, necessitating the loss of two fingers. Mr. Bess is an old soldier and been in poor health for a long time and this misfortune necessitated a call for outside help. An order of relief was taken out.—Eldred Eagle.

—Miss Mary Cotton, preceptress of the Smethport High School, has been offered a position for next year in a large Seminary in Atlanta, Ga., whose faculty numbers about 45. The school grounds contain 20 acres and on this campus are 9 large buildings.—Eldred Eagle.

—Miss Alice Roosevelt's chaffeur was fined the other day in Washington for exceeding the speed limit. He claimed immunity because some of the members of the President's family were passengers. But the magistrate showed that he was not toadying to anybody on that particular occasion, and the fine had to be paid.

—Edward Kelley, 14 years old, son of James Kelley of Lindsey, Pa., died from spotted fever Saturday night and was buried in the Clayville cemetery Sunday morning. The case developed in 48 hours, and 10 hours before his death his body became covered with spots, the nature of which could not be mistaken. The Kelley home has been placed under quarantine.

—William L. Burke, a well known printer formerly of Bradford, died on Sunday at the Printer's Home at Colorado Springs, Col., where for the past few weeks he has been receiving treatment for tuberculosis. He is survived by his widow and three children, Margaret, Howard and Beatrice Burke, two sisters, Miss Katherine Burke and Mrs. James Hyland, all of Bradford, and brother, John Burke, of Johnstown, Pa.

—E. B. McKee of Towanda was elected chairman of the executive committee of the Pennsylvania State Editorial Association at its annual meeting at Harrisburg on Tuesday. The association accepted an invitation from the Merchants and Manufacturers Association of Pittsburg to hold its annual convention in that city in the middle of next September. The association will probably hold its meeting next year at Charleston, S. C., in response to an invitation from the Board of Trade of that city.

—An old man would not believe that he could hear his wife talk a distance of five miles by telephone. His better half was in a country town several miles away, where there was a similar instrument; and on being told how to operate it he walked boldly up and shouted: "Hello Sarah." At that instant lightning struck the telephone wire and knocked the man down, and as he scrambled to his feet he excitedly cried; "That's Her."—Illustrated Bits.

Subscribe for the MINER.

The Early Use of Skates.

Holland is said to be the home and birthplace of skating, and without doubt skating was first practiced there and in the far north. In a country of lakes and canals the necessity of walking and running on ice must have been felt from the earliest days. In Holland they show the bone skates which were found in one of the mounds of which a Friesland village was built. The skates were fastened to the feet by straps passed through holes which were made in the bones. A Danish historian mentions the sport in 1134. The bone skates were also first used in England. A writer in his account of the amusements of the young people of London in the twelfth century mentions the fact that it was usual for them to fasten the leg bones of animals under the soles of their feet by tying them around their ankles; then, taking a pole shod with iron, they pushed themselves forward with great rapidity by striking this pole into the ice.

Aunt Chloe and the Dinner.

Mrs. McGarvis had invited a number of friends to dinner, but the cook left her on the morning of the appointed day without a moment's notice, says the Chicago Tribune.

In this emergency she hunted up an old friend of the family, Aunt Chloe, wife of Uncle Ephraim, and asked her to take the cook's place.

"I'll cook de dinnah, missis," said Aunt Chloe, "if you'll give me wot's left."

Mrs. McGarvis agreed, and within a few hours the dinner was well under way.

Later in the day she visited the kitchen.

"Why, Aunt Chloe," she said, "I have only five persons to entertain, and you are cooking everything there is in the house! What is that?"

"I want to make she', missis," said auntie, "dat dere'll be sum'n lef'."

London's First Omnibus.

The first London omnibus was really much more gorgeous than its successor of today. It was an imposing vehicle, beautifully decorated and painted, with accommodation for twenty-two passengers inside, and was drawn by three handsome bays, driven by a smart coachman in livery, and its conductor was gay in a blue cloth uniform like a midshipman. This conductor, by the way, was the son of a naval captain and spoke French so well that it was quite common for the pale bonneted young ladies from Paddington to ride as far as the city and back with the object of improving their French by chatting with him. The fare from the Yorkshire Stingo, at Paddington, to the Bank was a shilling; halfway, sixpence, and newspapers and books were provided for the passengers.—London Globe.

Care of Harness.

Take the harness to a room where you can unbuckle it and separate the parts completely. Wash each part well in lukewarm water to which has been added a little potash. Scrub well with a brush until all the grease and dust have been removed. Work the pieces well under the hand, until they become supple. It won't do to oil until it becomes so. Let the parts dry in a place where they will do so slowly. When just moist, oil. For this purpose use cod liver oil. It is the best for the purpose. Besides, if you were to use neatsfoot the rats and mice are your enemies at once, while they will not touch a harness oiled with cod liver oil. Give a good dose of oil to all parts, then hang up to dry. When dry, rub well with a soft rag.

A Russian Sentry.

In 1830 the Russian emperor saw a soldier in the middle of a grass plot in the palace grounds. Why was there a daily guard, relieved at stated intervals? No one knew. Curiosity was aroused, and at last a veteran was discovered who remembered hearing his father say that the Empress Catherine—she died in 1727—once saw a snowdrop in bloom at that point unusually early and asked that a guard be stationed there to protect it. And there a sentinel remained for at least 132 years; no one knew how much longer.

For Sore Throat.

Those subject to sore throat will find the following preparation simple, cheap and highly efficacious when used in the early stage: Pour a pint of boiling water on thirty leaves of the common sage and let the infusion stand for an hour; add vinegar sufficient to make it pleasantly acid, and honey to taste. The mixture should be used as a gargle twice a day. There is no danger if some of it is swallowed.

Disappointment on Both Sides.

"You said the house was only five minutes' walk from the station," complained the victim. "To say the least, I'm disappointed in you."

"And I'm disappointed in you," replied the agent. "I thought you were a very rapid walker."—Philadelphia Press.

Next to excellence is the appreciation of it.—Thackeray.

The Weight of Hats.

"What do you suppose this hat weighs?" said the hatter, taking up a fine eight dollar top hat of silk.

"About a pound," the patron hazarded.

"Only a little over a quarter of a pound—five ounces, to be precise. No good hat," said the hatter, "runs over four or five ounces nowadays.

"This white felt hat—it is worth $25—weighs less than an ounce. This new fire dollar derby hat weighs four ounces. Straw hats run from two to four ounces in weight.

"It pays a man to make the weight an important consideration in the choosing of a hat, for a light hat is a prevention of headache, and its influence is felt on the hair is reduced to a minimum."—Philadelphia Bulletin.

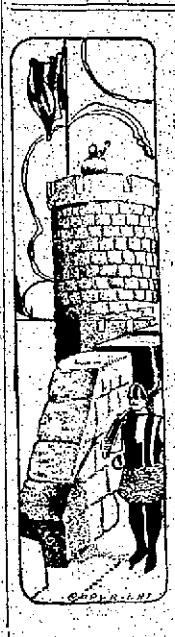
Castor Oil Cocktail.

"Give me a castor oil cocktail," said the man at the drug store counter.

The clerk poured a bottle of sarsaparilla into a glass, dashed a few drops of peppermint into it and then poured in some castor oil. The man drank it with a pleasant face and walked out as if he had drunk soda water instead of castor oil. "Yes, we have quite a call for castor oil cocktails," said the clerk. "If a man's system is a little out and he needs a dose of castor oil the only way to take it is in the cocktail form. You wouldn't know there was a drop of castor oil in it, if you've ever taken castor oil neat you will recognize the value of the cocktail."—Detroit News-Tribune.

The Hotel Brusher.

The position of brusher in the barber shop of a large hotel in New York is worth at least $30 a week if a young man attends to his business. Hotel patrons are liberal tippers. The brusher is expected to find seats for customers if the barbers' chairs are filled and to hand around the morning and illustrated papers. The boss barber pays them no salary. Permission to work in the shop is considered sufficient compensation. The hours are long, and in most cases brushers are allowed a boy as an assistant.



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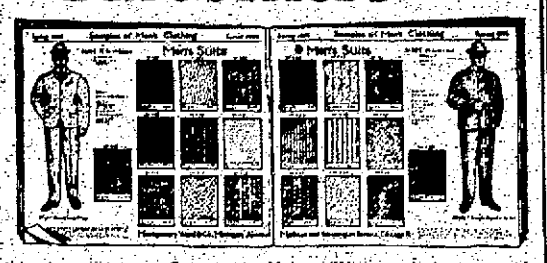

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MAN'S INVENTIONS.

Many of the Ideas Used Were Stolen Directly From Nature.

Houses are not the invention of man. The idea was borrowed from the swallow.

When the world was young its inhabitants were troglodytes. They dwelt in holes in cliffs. One savage, more enterprising than his fellows, puzzled his brains to find out a way to construct a cozy dwelling. On one occasion he caught sight of a bird gathering bits of clay with its beak. It was a swallow and he watched it build a nest on a ledge of rock.

"Wonderful," said he. "I'll do likewise."

He set to work at once and built a clay hut. His neighbors called him the "mudhole dweller" and laughed at his house. But, when they discovered that he was more snug than they, up went other huts.

The savages lived in mud huts until the beaver came to visit them. In building a house for himself he gave early man a lesson in architecture. The beaver not only showed him how to build houses that would stand all kinds of weather, but instructed him in the art of dam and bridge building.

The gentlemen of the stone age had boats. This has been proved by the things left behind them. It is doubtful, however, whether they invented vessels themselves.

A well known antiquarian declares that the savage stole the idea for the sailing boat from a small shellfish living a kind of fin attached to its back. By resting on a wave and erecting the fin it can skim over the waters at great speed when the wind is behind it.

It is generally believed that man invented the thatch to keep barns and ricks dry. As a matter of fact, it was the weaver bird that gave the idea to him. With its beak it constructs a perfectly made, large, rainproof shelter, or thatch, over its nest. The Zulu huts in the Transvaal are roofed in almost the same way today.

Dame Nature was a glassmaker long *before man was created*. Natural glass resembled the glass of which beer bottles are made, and it is to be found in Iceland, Spain, Italy, Sardinia and almost every locality in which volcanoes have been at work. Its proper name is obsidian, and there are enough cliffs of glass to fill all the window frames in Great Britain.

Mica is another form of natural glass and is largely used in the making of chimneys for incandescent gaslights. It is dug out of the ground, will stand great heat and needs nothing but splitting to be made use of at once.

Old brown Windsor soap, so commonly used for the toilet, is not the real thing at all, but merely an imitation. The only soap of that name is not made, but comes from the bulbs of the Porto Rico soap plant, and it was used for washing purposes long before man thought of manufacturing soap from fat and other substances. Its smell is exactly the same as London made old brown Windsor, and there is no doubt whatever that the latter is an exact imitation of the natural soap.

At one time the world was lighted at night with "farthing dips," long sticks of compressed fat with a thin string through the center. Before this the seeds of the tallow tree, which grows in Algeria, Sumatra and China, were used for lighting purposes. The seeds, which are of a good size, need but a wick to burn with a clear, white flame. It will therefore be seen that the idea for both ancient and modern candles was stolen directly from nature.—Pearson's Weekly.

Kind Neighbors.

When Miss Jenkins, after spending fifty-six years in the city of her birth, decided to buy a small farm in the country she determined to miss none of the delights of farming life.

"I'm going to have a steady horse and two cows and some hens," she announced to her brother, to whom she proudly displayed her new property. "The Adams boy from the next house will help me about everything. He'll drive the cows and milk and teach me how to harness, and of course I shall feed the hens and the little pig."

"The little pig!" echoed her brother. "Do you propose to keep a pig? And where, I should like to know?"

"There's room for a small pigpen back of the barn, away from the road and everything," said Miss Jenkins calmly. "Mr. Adams has some cunning little pigs, and that is what I wish. And I asked the Adams boy if he thought when the pig had outgrown the pen I could find some one to take him and give me another little one in exchange, and he seemed sure I could. You've no idea, brother, how obliging the people are here in the country."

Oliver Wendell Holmes.

Mrs. Rebecca Harding Davis writes of Dr. Oliver Wendell Holmes: "Physically he was a very small man, holding himself stiffly erect—his face insignificant as his figure, except for a long obstinate upper lip (left to me," he said one day, "by some ill conditioned great-grandmother"), and eyes full of a wonderful fire and sympathy. No one on whom Dr. Holmes had once looked with interest ever forgot the look—or him. He attracted all kinds of people as a brilliant excitable child would attract them. But nobody, I suspect, ever succeeded in being familiar with him. I remember one evening that he quoted one of his poems, and I was forced stupidly to acknowledge that I did not know it. He fairly jumped to the bookcase, took out the volume and read the verses, standing in the middle of the room, his voice trembling, his whole body thrilling with their meaning. 'There,' he cried at the end, his eyes flashing, 'could anybody have said that better? Ah-h!' with a long indrawn breath of delight as he put the book back."

Setting Him Right.

"You think a good deal of your husband, don't you?" asked the visiting relative.

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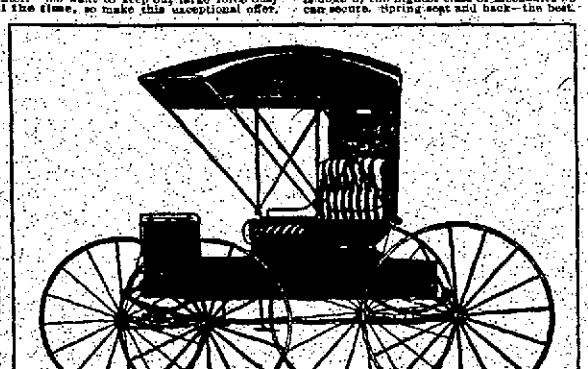

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